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Will you please help to bear this World-wide Expense of Calendar Reform and advocate it?

The 3 Arris-sighting-lines projected above the Apex spanned the 30 nightly moves of the Star-Zodiac each m

Plate A-The Length of the Year first sought by the Sphinx Method, was found by the Pyramid-Builders who later developed Star Astronomy, as here depicted.

"Father Time" is Re-gearing the Year to record 13 equal Months of 4 Weeks at his original "year works," the Sphinx and Great Pyramid, in Rgypt, where the basis of the Calendar and World's Time were evolved, as the most useful knowledge.

Knowing that humanity needs an equal monthly measure of 4 complete weeks, and realizing the many advantages obtainable by permanently using February, 1914, as the much-needed "standard month"; "Father Time" is so impressed by the needed facilities derivable from the use of the four-week watch dial crowning the Sphirx, and the concise "Yearal" tablet leaning on her breast—that he is convinced that the calendar cycle of the year can very easily be recast to circle constant week-day name, as dialled, to repeat on those fixed dates throughout every month and year for all future time.

The Zodiacal record of passing Seasons is the best means by which the mightient efforts of mankind have established permanent prosperity for all nations. It required the strenuous labors of melicindes of Egyptians during thousands of which the 165 day sectors of that Celestial ciryears to derive that final pyramid alope by cle were precisely registered to tally the yearly progress of the sun around the star-studded sky. ster its pointed noon-shadow's length along the meridian-line on the floor below, and point the artist has indicated the axis of that circle which The apex of that slope was designed both to regisight of the trained pyramid astronomers to both the mid-day sun and midnight stars, from the passage located below where the surrounds the earth as the path of the Ecliptic. observation

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THE FIXED "YEARAL" Proposed to Replace Changing ALMANAKS and CALENDARS

Prefaced by Illustrations and Notes showing their Evolution

By MOSES B. COTSWORTH, F.G.S.

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N. B.—The INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF CHAM-BERS OF COMMERCE has UNANIMOUSLY REQUESTED the GOVERNMENTS of ALL NATIONS to CONVOKE a Diplomatic OFFICIAL CONFERENCE to ESTABLISH a FIXED INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR.

The ROYAL SOCIETY OF CANADA unanimously resolved: "That Mr. M. B. Cotsworth's proposal for the Reform of the Calendar receive the endorsation of the Society.

The GOVERNMENT OF CANADA (petitioned by the Royal Society) has REQUESTED the BRITISH GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLE THE NEEDFUL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AT AN EARLY DATE.

President Hadley, of Yale University, U.S.A., approving these

proposals in 1903, stated:
"This reform with its month of four weeks will surely come, as it is a commercial necessity."

Sir Sandford Fleming, the veteran simplifier of our daily Time (who originated "Standard Time" adjustments by complete hours, as now used by all nations), recorded the most experienced opinion when recommending this reform to the Royal Society of Canada

"That such a needed change can be effected, I have no doubt whatever."

THE AMERICAN CONFERENCE MAY MEET AT PANAMA

The PROPOSED "INTERNATIONAL FIXED CALENDAR" or "YEARAL"

Entron's Note.—Readers of former articles by Mr. Consworth which have appeared in the British Columbia Magazine must have been impressed by the long years of arduous research which he has devoted to studying the origin and methods of almanak-making in many countries. The outcome of the expenditure of his time and money is a scheme to abolish our present clumsy calendar, with its unequal months and changing day name—the undoubted source of loss and worry to every civilized person. The average man does not realize to what extent the present system retards him in both his business and home life. It is a system that was arbitrarily set up 1940 years ago, wasped by the pride and arrogance of Roman rulers. The task of sitering the daily customes of so many millions of people of diverse nationalities in relation to their use of calendars is so stupendous that only a man of strong personality, infinite patience, and absolute unselfahnese would contemplate it. It may seem premature are the present moment to felicitate Mr. Cotsworth on what he has done, but having been privileged to gather some knowledge of his work and the almost unimaginable difficulties he British Columbia is most fortunate in being able to claim Mr. Cotsworth a. a cicisen today, national conference of the representatives of the Great Powers, which will meet in the near future as a direct result of his labors, adopts his suggestions, they will benefit us all every day by facilitating business and social convenience.

He undoubtedly is the originator of the "Diez-sen" system, by which the "odd (456th) day" is proposed to be appended as an "extra Saturday" in every year and is to be freed from week-day name to avoid the present avoidable trouble all Calendars now make by yearly changing week-day names and monthly dates throughout all the 185 dy any of all years—as Calendar constructors during more than accooperate the special part of fixed week-day names for the 364 days each year, and separate the 36th day as the helpful holiday universally needed at t

After he invented the "Dies-non" method, the difficulty was not to draw up the acheme—
to one possessing such complete knowledge of the history and mysteries of almanak-making,
that was a congenial task—but to overcome the national, historical and religious prejudices of
civilised people all over the world. To benefit every human being every day is a noble task,
deserving of all the help we can give. We, therefore, asked Mr. Cotsworth to write this article.

It is also interesting to remember that "standard time," which has been a boon to the whole
world, had its inception in Canada thirty years ago through Sir Sandford Fleming, K.C.M.G.,
who after the fullest consideration has endorsed Mr. Cotsworth's proposals as the simplest and
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The Royal Society of Canada after careful consideration unanimously commended Mr. Cotsworth's proposals as the best, and petitioned the Government of Canada, who have urged the British Government to assemble an International Conference to consider this

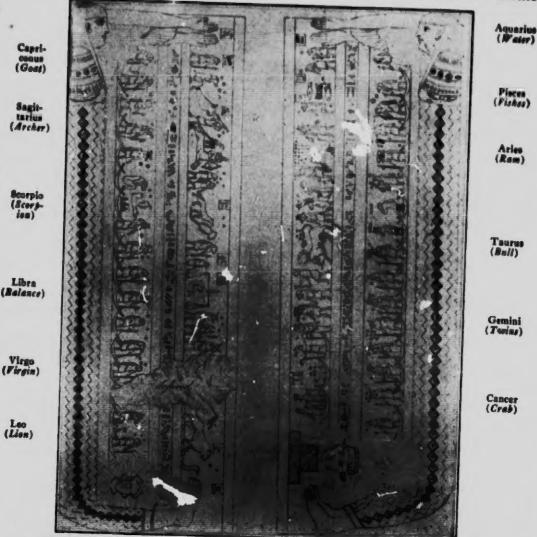
timely proposal to abandon our changing calendars and almanaks for one Fixed "Yearal."

That is the more appropriate name suggested for the proposed International "Fixed"

Almanak which Sir Sandford Fleming reported to the Royal Society, will daily "benefit the great human family throughout all future time."

For the convenience of readers, the connected series of illustrations have been grouped into Fore-plates "B" to "j" preceding the explanatory pages, on which are printed such further pictures as are better interspersed with the type. The End-plates "K" to "W" illustrate the more detailed references to which readers specially interested in such research may refer. Between the "fore" and "end" plates are printed: t. Notes re the Evolution of Almanaks and Calendars; 2. The Proposals for Calendar Reform.

References to Encyclopaedias and "Rational Almanah" (as "R. A.") will facilitate verifications.



This reproduction from the Temple at Denderah is similar to others at Esneh and Ed Dayr.

It appears to be the earliest representation of that Ancient Calendar System which the Egyptian Priests kept profoundly secret, and never portrayed, until their degenerate descendants were induced to engrave their Zodiac in this Temple to satisfy their Greek benefactors.

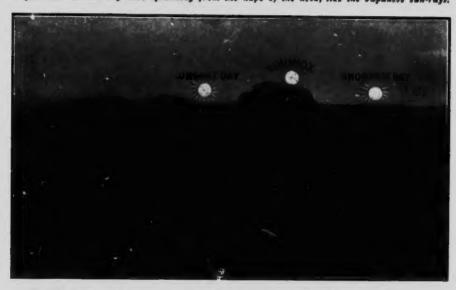
Herodotus, the chief historian of Ancient Greece, records that "The Egyptians were the first to discover the solar year and to portion out its course into swelve parts. They obtained their knowledge from the stars." The great value of their secret knowledge concerning the origin and construction of Calendars probably caused the Egyptian priests to keep from Herodotus the crucial explanation of how their ancient pyramid builders had first discovered the precise length of the year by measuring the daily lengths of the pyramids' noon-shadows during many centuries, as later explained—because that, together with the huge pointing Equinoctial pyramid slope, was essential to enable the Egyptians to locate the 36 "decans" or weeks of 10 days each, into which their year was divided by 36 stars, nearly equidistant, to days apart—as depicted by the 36 boats, or "astronomical houses" shown above with their respective stars over each. Three of those 10-days weeks constituted EACH OF THEIR 12 MONTHS which WERE EQUAL, and with five Festive-days intercalated at the end Completed 365 days of each civil year; cycling through the Sothic Period, to preserve secrecy. The simple but enormously extensive scale of observations the Pyramid Priests had to basis upon which the Zodiacal System of Star Astronomy was elucidated, is indicated on to day ranges of the Sun's noon track among the "ixed Stars," locating each daily position along the Sun's apparent Ecliptic Path, throughout every season and month of the Year.

PLATE C. The earliest "SPHINX" METHOD of LOCATING the SEASONS of the YEAR by registering the seasonal "AMPLITUDE POINTS" OF SUNRISE along the horizon.



1. "The Sphinx" viewed from behind, showing the SUN-RISE-DIRECTING-RAY-LINES emphasized on the left side of the wig, directing observation across the Nile Valley, to the daily points of Sunrise throughout the year. See Plate "j."

Those "ray-lines," after probably more than 7,000 years of emposure, were so indistinct on this small-scale photograph that the arist "emphasized" part on the lower back edge of the wig, to indicate the ray-lines spreading from the nape of the neck, like the Japanese sun-rays.

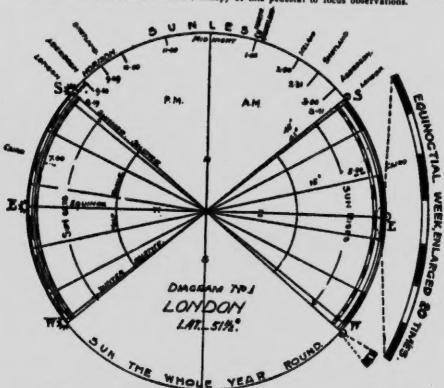


II. "The Sphinx," photographed at Sunrise with the actual Sun "disked" on its head at the "Equinox," when day and night are of equal length. The approximate direction and limited 30° range at Cairo, displayed by the season-marking Sun-rise-points over the distant hills across the Nile, have been painted on the photo as rayed-suns, to indicate the utmost limits of "Amplitude" in Sunrises between the Longest and Shortest Days, when viewed from the same points of observation at the rear of the Sphinx. Those are indicated on Plate "J," where the sacred "Asp" is shown as it originally surmounted the top of the head, so that the Asp's tip served as a "Fixed Pointer" to the center of the Rising-Sun, when the Priestly observers looked from the "rear-points" over the length of the Sphinx to the Sun disked on the Horizon—like the naval gunners sight targets along the "fixed line of sight," from gun rear to fore-points.

For causes that have deflected the Axis of the Sphinx to the North of East, see Plate F. The later star-recording uses of the Front of the Wig and deep Excavations in front, are indicated in the Sphinx section, where an Ancient Egyptian star diagram is reproduced.



I. Japanese "TORII Gateway" of the Shinto Temple on Miyajima Island, used like the Sphinx to locate the seasonal points of sunrise, shown on Plate "J," where its mid-rear-point "E" served like the mid-slit beneath the canopy of this pedestal to focus observations.



II. "AMPLITUDE" Diagram contrasting the narrow 30° range at Cairo with the \$2° London range of Sunrise and Sunset points along the horizon—represented by the complete circle. W. denotes Winter, Dec. 22nd; E. Equinoxes, March 21st and Sept. 23rd; S. Summer, June 21st.

(PLATE "E")-The "AMPLITUDE METHOD" was WORLD-WIDE



Fig. 232.—Stele from Lilybourn. Corpus, plate 29.

I. This displays the "Amplitude Method" used by the ancient Carthagenians at their stronghold in Sicily. The eye of the Sun is located as peeping over the three monoliths denoting the three seasonal dividing points of Shortest-day. Equal-day-and-night, and Longest-day.

The priest is taking the observations over the fixed point to the Sun "disked" at the Equinox.

Note.—The Sun and Moon "shafted together" on the rod to typify the combined diameters of their disks to form the "degree-unit" or astronomy, measuring 360 degrees round the horizon.



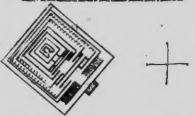
II. Ancient Druidical observatory at Maes-howe, Scotland. Note the three monoliths on promontories to register seasonal amplitudes "sighted" through the "Observation Passage" from the centre of the mound. "Silbury Hill" in Wiltshire contains more than 1,000,000 tons of chalk aimilarly piled artificially. See R. A. 290 and 342.



III. The three ancient "Zigurats" of Babylon repictured as those stepped-towers were ranged.

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IV. Chaldean Temple, based on the ruins of the supposed "Tower of Babel." The gradual ascent from the southeast contrasts with the steep descent to the northwest needed to register noon, etc., shadows.

The ground-plan shows its southeast orientation to nature's year-ending on the shortest-day, Dec. 22.



V. The three ancient British "Amplitude Monoliths" near York (England), weighing about 30 tons each. See R. A., p. 10.

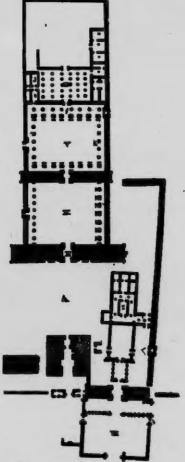
Each nation had to devise its own permanent indicators (which were necessarily huge and wide apart) for locating the seasons before refined astronomical instruments or calendars were invented.

N.B.—The "R. A." references indicate where further information is available in the author's book on the "Rational Aimanac," first advocating Calendar Reform as epitomized on end leaf.

(PLATE "F")-AMPLITUDE METHODS proved TOO CRUDE and DRIFTING



I. A Typical Egyptian Temple on the west band of the Nile, facing the Sun-rise-rays, which enter the lower opening at the front, and pierce through like apertures (evidenced by the plans below) to the "Holy of Holies" in the rear, where the jewel on the breast plate of the High-priest shines brilliantly as the sun-plate of the High-priest shines brilliantly as the sun-plate of the High-priest shines brilliantly as the annual Festival—...us mysteriously signifying "the Divine presence" to worshippers in this Temple at Abydoa. At the Sun-rise point drifted by the "Precession of the Equinoxes," they had to adjust their Temple as below:



PLAN OF TWO TEMPLES AT MEDICAL. HABU.



III. The above record of Observation at Sunrise on the "Longest Day" at STONEHENGE
evidences both the most complete Druidical
system used by the Ancient Britons when
measuring the Horizon points of Sunrise and
Sunset by the complete circle of monoliths, and
their extended method of using distant monoliths
and erections to mark the shifting direction of
Sunrise and Sunset Six Norman Lockyer proved
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The same change of alignment caused by the "Precession of the Equinoxes," &c. deflected the axis of the lower Egyptian Temple till the sun's rays failed to reach the "Holy of Holles" at their Annual Festival. Then the worshippers, thinking their Sun-god was forsaking them, had to build a new Temple in the rear, directed to the more recent sun-rise-point on their "Year-day."

day."

Similarly the Priests of almost all religious continued that system of "orientating" their structures for worship so the Sunrise on the Calendar Festival of their patron saint: e.g., hurches dedicated to St. George are still orientated to the Sunrise point on April 23rd while others named after St. Peter are pointed to Sunrise on June 29th—St. Peter's Day.

But they were only able to locate the precise dates by the Calendar, as great experience and distant "aighting-pointers" were needed to derive exact dates from the narrow change of daily Sunrise.

(PLATE "G")-Next the MERIDIAN METHOD of TRACING the SEASONS by MEASUR-ING the NOON-SHADOWS of OBELISKS, &c., WAS DEVISED

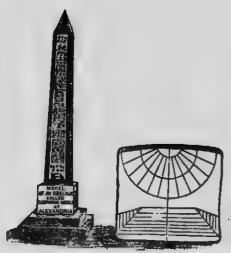


I. The OBELISK in ST. PETER'S SQUARE, ROME, casts its Noon-shadow along the Meridian-line, shown on the photograph to the right, extending beyond the fountain from the front oval disk which is inscribed with the words "Cancerl Solatici," manifesting its purpose to register the Obelisk's shortest shadow there passing at noon on the "Longest-Day" (June 21st) when the Sun reaches its northernmost range on the Tropic of Cancer.

The accound disc registers both the shortening shadow in May and the lengthening shadow in July. The third disc records the limits for April and August, and so forth.



III. Meridian-line of St. Peter's Obelish at Rome-demonstrating the insufficiency of the largest Obelisks to register 31 noon shadows between those discs. Later Obelisks were elevated on masonry as per Block IV to cast longer shadows.



II. Model of "Cleopatra's Needle," removed from Alexandria to London, where its Dial with the Meridian-line and seven steps (like the Dial of Ahaz) is in the British Museum.



IV. The Obelisk or "Lat of Asoka" in India is of special interest because the ancient native writings record the fact that this register of Latitude and locator of the Seasons was during three separate generations raised higher by building terraces of masonry to extend their Meridian shadow register and so derive truer knowledge of the passing Seasons, as Plate H proves the Egyptians did.

(PLATE "H")-EVOLUTION of the PYRAMID SYSTEM



PYRAMID EMBLEM as kindly drawn for me by PROFESSOR MASPERO in Gizeh Musem, EGYPT

I. This emblent (usually found in the Pyramid Temples) represents the Sun disked on the Obelisk at noon, when raised on a Mastaba to cast a longer both 100 ft. high, the noon-shadow from the apex of the Obelisk would be twice the length of the Obelisk own shadow; and as the shadows would be increased in length proportionately as successive Mastabas were superposed the Medum Mastaba below enlarged the Obelisk shadow's length about sixfold.



II. Section of the oldest Pyramid, at Medum, disclosing its successive increased heights to which its Obelisk was raised above the original A. A. Mastaba of polished granite as the nucleus.



III. Photo of Egypt's first Pyramid at Medum, proving that it never had the uniform Equinoctial slope developed on later Pyramids. The next oldest Pyramid of Sakkarah was similarly built in steps. The Egyptians ultimately found that the sloping Pyramid was best to attain the greatest height required to differentiate the daily shadow lengths on the Meridian line. See R. A. 200, also Sakkarah Pyramid on Plate "Q."



IV. This shows the Intermediate shape between the best slope.



V. The Gizeh Pyramids near Cairo These evidence the Final Period of Pyramid building, by which the basis of both our Calendar system and Astronomy were derived, as explained in the latter half of this pamphlet. The Inundation water is over the fields.



VI. The Babylonian sculpture of King Naramain, 3750 B.C., demonstrates that these Ancient Nationa used Pyramids to locate the movements of both the Sun and Moon for national calendar purposes. The fine sculpture looks like the work of captive Egyptians.

(J1.) WHY PYRAMIDS WERE BUILT

1. The greatest need of every nation is to produce adequate supplies of food to feed its people throughout the year. That need was most intensified during the Era of Pyramid Building, more than 5,000 years ago, when the increasing populations of Assyria to the north and Ethiopia to the south insistently strove to conquer Egypt.

2. In that Era, conquest generally resulted in slaughter of the conquered men, and bondage for their women and children, involving family and national ruin. Consequently imperative necessity forced the Egyptians to maintain at least as large a population as the increasing Assyrians.

3. As the total area of land capable of cultivation was limited to about 13,000 square miles in the Delta area and the two narrow Nile-side strips within the sandhills dividing the surrounding vast Desert Area of Egypt (as evidenced by the adjoining map), the Ancient Egyptians could not increase the cultivable area much beyond the confines of the yearly Inundation. Therefore they were compelled to rely upon producing more crops from the same area of cultivation by intensive culture.

4. Such increased crops could only be intensively developed by locating the precise seasons for each tilling and sowing for the numerous varieties of crops required. They grow many more varieties of crops than we.

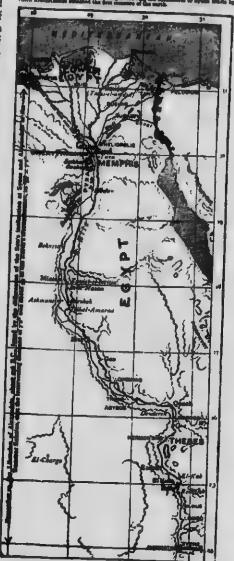
5. That precise knowledge of the Seasons could not be made available without studying the Sun's Seasonal Elevations.

6. Those Seasonal Elevations could best be located each year by studying the Sun's noon-day height locations on the Meridian.

7. As Egyptians had neither telescopes nor "smoked-glass" for observations, and the glare of the Sun in the clear Egyptian sky was too fierce for "sighting" direct, they had to observe the Sun's Seasonal position indirectly by measuring the ever varying lengths of Sun-shadows cast from the highest possible structures.

8. Pyramids as huge Sun-dials were the easiest structures they could best erect sufficiently high to differentiate the lengths of Sun-shadows which indicated by their different daily lengths the best Season for each of the yearly recurring operations necessary to produce abundant crops. They ensured permanent prosperity 2"d national safety by maintaining sufficient men to defend and intensively cultivate their land.

Thus Pyramids were built to safeguard the life of Egypt which depended upon the Nile Valley's advantages being utilized by deriving and applying Calendar knowledge.



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The significant feature of Egypt is the Nile, which in serpentine form meanders majertically from the Equator to the Mediterranean shore, where its about 8,000 square miles of the richest and most profitably situated Delta-land in the world is shaped like the broad flat head of the "Asp"—that visal part of the sacred representation of the flowing Nile regarded as the life-sustainer of Egypt, evidenced surmounting the Sphinz Brow when originally completed, and used as the Royal Emblem, illustrated on the front-cover.

Now that we realize how seriously Egypt was dependent upon that Delta and the long but very marrow serpentine-shaped area along the Nile Velley, to grow their vital food supplies for the millions of Egyptian people, we cease to wonder why the Egyptians selected the Serpent as their head-dress emblem of Royal Power, and built the Pyramids to direct the utmost use of Earth's most productive Agricultural Area from that Apez of control, whence the numerous channels of the Nile float produce from farms to cities.

(Plate "J") BIRTH-PLACE of ALMANAKS and CALENDARS



This range of the Sphina's Sun-Amplitude is too narrow to locate precise days. It could only approximate the Seasons within about one week (See Front-Plates C, D, E, and F.)

I. The PYRAMID AND SPHINX AREA, adjoining the DELTA of the NILE—that MOST PERMANENT FERTILE AREA on EARTH, where the GREATEST VARIETY of CROPS YIELDED the RICHEST REWARD for AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, and offered the GREATEST INDUCEMENTS to CALENDAR DAYS to WIN FOOD SUPPLIES and NATIONAL PROSPERITY. It by locating SPHINX-POINTS of SUNRISE and 3nd by observing PYRAMID NOON-SHADOWS.



Location of Rear-pointers (Obelisk tops or movable survey-tripods) used like the Priest's pointers on Fore-Plate E, or the Rear-tips of our Centre-Seconds-Pointers on Clocks and Watches, where the circumference when divided into the horizon's 360 degrees would indicate the "Longest-Day" (June 21) across the 12½ minutes point, and the "Shorteet Day" (Dec. 22) across the 17½ minutes point, with the "Equinoxes" mid-way of that 30 degrees Amplitude-range, located across the 15 minutes point

Front-plate "C" shows how used from the rear.

II. "The SPHINX in the DAYS of ITS PRIME" (vide "The Sphere," 20th Dec., 1913), showing the sacred ASP as the pivot-pointer above the Brow. The inset "A" displays the Asp's Head and Eye. and winter points of Amplitude observation for Seasons! Surrises as rayed on the upper plate, indicate how ancient observers approximated Season-dividing days, to arrange early Calendars, as Jacob did.

(J2) The following condensed list of some of the numerous Calendar announcements still required by Egyptians every year, demonstrates how vital such hnowledge was to ensure prespectly of the Ancient Egyptians.

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Note.—The Coptic Egyptians still use the permanently equal months of 30 days, with 5 days intercalated at the year's end, Pyramid Priests originated.

CALENDAR most needed in EGYPT

Beyond the preparation of the Dykes and Channels for the Nile's Inundation, the nearly 1,000 miles length of Egypt necessitated prompt administrative orders being despatched in advance by the Pyramid Priests to their distant henchmen, who directed the myriads of Egyptian slaves working the land which was then almost entirely owned by Pharaoh and the powerful cults of Pyramid and Temple Priests.

The adjoining Egyptian (Coptic) Calendar is that from which Julius Caesar derived the 365½ Days' year-length of the Roman Calendar that all Europeans later adopted. Its Egyptian advantage of equal months of 30 days each he failed to copy. Their 5 days added at the year's end, he distributed in alternate 31 day months which looked more original and less like copying.

This condensed Calendar lists only part of the responsible orders the High Priests had to promulgate the requisite number of days in advance of the work, to reach the distant workers at the right time during every period of the year, as no one then dare send out any such calendar list, which if copied would have deprived the Priests of most of their immense power, and if captured would have served to enrich their enemies.

To enable readers to understand something of the astounding advantages which the Egyptians derived from their wise and inevitable labors of Pyramid building to direct their Calendar records, reference may be directed to the fuller list in "The Egyptian Calendar," by R. L. N. Mitchell, B.A., as published above, and the following condensed note from the Encyclopædia Britannica, Vol. VII, page 708:

"After the waters have retired, about the end of October or beginning of November, the rei land is sown with wheat, barley, lentils, beans, lupins, or chick-peas, etc. But the 'sharake' lands (or those which are too high to be subject to the natural Inundation) and some parts of the rei (lower), by artificial irrigation are made to produce THREE CROPS EVERY YEAR."

"The lands artificially irrigated first produce their winter crop. Secondly in the southern part, about the Vernal Equinox they are sown with millet (durah) or with indigo or cotton, etc. Thirdly, in ti.2 period of the rise of the Nile, commencing about the Summer Solstice they are sown again with millet or maize, etc., and are thus crowned with a THIRD HARVEST."

NOTES re the EVOLUTION of ALMANAKS and CALENDARS

By M. B. COTSWORTH, F.G. S.

Regron's Norg.—Mr. Consworth has made very extensive and thorough researches in remote seasons and the division of our year into days and groups of days. He has arrived at the He has secured the support of several governments in his labors to establish a "Fixed Calendar" as a "Yearal" for use throughout the world. He hopes that this "Yearal" will be adopted for general use about the years 1917 or 1918 as the most favorable time to substitute it for our present time we should at once realize the extreme importance of the Calendar. We do not stop to think once in a year of the vast and complicated organisation that is working day and night to think once in a year of the vast and complicated organisation that is working day and night to govern our system of keeping time correctly. In ancient days this work was so essential to the very life of the people that the men who had charge of the task were invested with all for instance, the birthplace of the Calendar, knowledge of the proper time to sow seed was important that any error in computing it was likely to lead to famine and cause the death agypt" when Jacob and his sons were starving was due to the superiority of the Egyptian Pyramids, and other intensely interesting facts anent the Evolution of Almanaks and Calendars.

Fuller evidences may be found in his book "The Rational Almanak" on its pages quoted as "R.A."

The evolution of Almanaks and Calendars began thousands of years before his-toric records were available for the dawning intelligences of primeval men, who first noticed the changes of the Scasons and

stored food for later use.

The length of the year was far too long for their mental perceptions, and the Sun's incessantly varying elevations too intricate for them to attempt to elucidate the mystery of the Sun's vivifying disk of glowing light they worshipped as the source of heat, life and power. Early tribesmen were so engrossed with the wild struggle for existence that systematic tracing of the very slow progress of the Sun through the Seasons could hardly be thought of until long after these 3 pre-year-counts of expanding units naturally evolved, as intelligence for observations developed slowly among the civilizations then separately arising in different parts of the world:

Monthly tallying of moons passed. Counting 5 moons by hand or tally.

3. Counting 6 moons for summer and another 6 moons for winter. Instead of this 3rd stage, some tribes extended their next count to mis-named 10 moon-"years."

It is significant that the Ancient histories of Egypt, Assyria, China and other nations began by counting vast numbers of lunations (moons), such as the then probable life limit of 1,000 moons (81 years) recorded for the mystic Helius, son of Vulcan, in the Old Egyptian Chronicle sculptured on the Great Temple at Karnak.

There is a strong probability that as the Sun's-noon-disk changed altitude so slightly, early men could only count its daily appearances up to the 10 digits of their hands. But the incontrovertible fact is that the near weekly changing phases of the moon (from which our week was derived as the 7 full days in each distinctive quarter), were the only possible means by which early communities could distinguish times to count their lives and approximate the Seasons in lunar months, as remote tribes still continue to do by monthly "notches" cut upon tallysticks or tent-poles, of simpler form than those evidenced by plates on pages 2 and 43. Men merely cut one notch per moon on that first form of Almanak used to record moons passed. That copies in the writer's such as the notched-stick-moontallies used by the Fiji Islanders, prove.

Notched Almanaks as permanent recorders of Months, preceded the Evolution of Calendars.



The upper stick with 36 consecutive notch-cuts, plus one at the end—together recording 37 moons—is part of a series on a model of the tally-stick used by the natives of the Fiji Islands to record their ages, &c.

It is of special interest as exemplifying the tally system used by South-Pacific Islanders whom the British Governor, about the year 1870, agreed to employ for wages payable at the end of 3 years.

wages payable at the end of 3 years.

Those primitive people, like all the earliest Races of Mankind, did not know what a year was. Their untrained minds could not grasp the great 365-day-length of time, which we are only able to understand through our printed Calendars measuring it into defined weeks and months.

They explained to the Governor that their only method of measuring time, beyond each day, was by the moon's cycle. Then the Governor's interpreter explained that as there were 12 moons in one year, they would have to serve during 36 moons—which he indicated by 3 displays of the 10 digits on his open hands, denoting 30, plus one hand for 5 and his 2nd thumb as the 6th unit completing the 36.

At the end of the 36 moons those aervants asked for their wages, and were told that they had another moon (month) to serve. But they promptly disproved that statement by producing their tally-stick on which they had, according to their custom, cut a notch for each moon served.

The difference of 33 days—between the Governor's 3 years of 365 days, together totalling 1095 days, end his servants' 36 moons of 29½ days eat, together totalling 1062 days—was found to have arisen through the fact that 12 moons wax and wane during 354 days, leaving 11 days more in each Governor's year than his servants were unintentionally led to believe.

As those II days per year totalled 33 days, or more than another (37th) moon, the Governor rightly decided to pay them for that 37th moon they notched at the end.

The foregoing is typical of the tallying-

system earliest Races necessarily developed, before leaders amongst their descendants were enabled by long ancestral experience to evolve the next stage of counting by the combined unit of 5—so inevitably suggested by the 5 digits (4 fingers and thumb) on each hand, and evidenced by the Mexican "Indications" and det-counts opposite.

From the time mankind began to take interest in sowing sepds to increase food supplies, more permanent records, such as notches on sticks and dot or switch counts became a practical necessity for the rulers of tribes to tally the number of days in each season, to locate the best times for sowing various seeds to ensure better crops.

From the earliest recorded times "notched-sticks" have been used to tally the Ages of families, as shown upon the 2 lower illustrations where the 3 series of 41, 39 and 15 notches respectively served to count the co-developing ages of Father, Mother and Child when their later developed years were continuously tallied on such naturally fixed dates as suggested by the Longest (Mid-Summer) Day, or the Shortest (Mid-Winter-Solstice) Day—just as the Japanese still count all their childden's Ages from the same all-pervading "Children's-united-Birthday" celebrated for all on the appointed fixed day now calendared in each year on the Japanese date corresponding to our 3rd of March for Females, and to our 5th of May for Males.

The 41, 39 and 15 notches are all recorded on the one family stick, which is shown as the lower pair illustrated apparently as 2 sticks, but in reality the 15 notch one, shorter in appearance, is simply foreshortened by the reflection through the looking-glass deflecting it further from the camera, while the 41 and 39 notches on the upper-side of that same stick were being con-currently photographed.

Such "notched-taily-sticks" have lingeringly survived in belated tribes through most of the Calendar developments of humanity. Early Mexicans (Astees) used to count by dots, lines of 5 dots, and signs.

These NUMERICAL CHARACTERS AND SYMBOLICAL FIGURES from Clavigero's "History of Mexico," display some of the limitations which retarded the efforts of all early races to express numbers. The dots for units, the flag-like signs for twenties, and trees for each 400, all are applied as 20 signs to record the number 1787, with the year of 4 seasons sign prefixed. All that line was needed to write 1787.

These, used 4,000 years after the Egyptian Pyramids were built, show how naturally men counted by 5, and thence expanded to our decimal system of 10; while such Races as the Israelites developed the 20 system of "Scores," which the Aztecs of Central America raised to its "square" of 400, and its "cube" of 8,000, as per the Tree and Fruit Signs above, all based upon the 20 digits on our hands and feet.

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The Aztecs used 4 of these "Indictions" of 13 years each, to distinguish each of the

52 years in their Great Cycle they thus divided into 4 Quarters, arranged in the order of their 4 signs for Rabbit, Maize (Reed), Arrow (Flint) and House, which repeated both vertically and horizontally, so that when prefixed by their respective number of dots denoting the required year's number in its "Indiction" with its emblem sign alongside there need be no doubt as to which year was intended, because each number of dots is only combined once with each of their 4 recurring signs.

Their lack of a more concise system of figuring forced them to go through the cumbersome process of impressing each dot up to 13 and drawing the con-joined sym-bol. Thus to denote the first and last years of each Indiction they had to draw a Rabbit and I dot, a Rabbit and 13 dots; a Maize Reed and I dot, a Maize Reed and 13 dots; an Arrow and 1 dot, an Arrow and 13 dots; a House and 1 dot, a House and 13 dots-whereas by our numeral figures we only need write 1, 13; 14, 26; 27, 39; 40 and 52, to locate those years.

It is not deemed worth the expense of engraving the 3rd and 4th Indictions, which only differ by beginning with the great Arrow and House respectively, as illustrated on "the Great Mexican Cycle of 52 years," shown on pages 39 to 42.

Ancients counted by units to g Months-thence to 6 and ze Months

The European numerals I to 13 are peefixed for the convenience of readers, but the dots up to 5 per line in the and column with the 4 years' range of recurring symbols in the 3rd column are reproduced as used by the Ancient dwellers in Mexico from remote Times until about 1,000 years ago.

Like all early civilizations, those people of the Agtec Race were only able to count from 2 to 5 during the early period of their evolution, therefore to record larger numbers they had to repeat tallies of 5 dots, cuts, sticks or other counters, as above, appending I more to denote 6, or 2 units more to record 7, and so forth till our 10 was later recorded by pairing the 2 rows of V, from which our sign X for 10 was derived as the double of V (five), through humanity having as their easiest counters 5 digits on each hand and foot, the 4 of which were used to denote twenty as the ANCIENT ROMAN AND BIBLE SCORE OF XX

Most tribes and races, like the Arabians and Romans, advanced from 5 to the 10 month count as their next unit, mis-translated "year," long before they were able to locate 365 days to derive the 12 month year. Others like Jacob, the father of the Israelites, specially interested in breeding sheep and goats, counted from 5 to 6, which they long after doubled to derive truer 12 month years.

The 3rd column's emblems of Rabbit, Maize, Flint (arrow) and House denoted the recurring period of 4 years, at the end of which the Aztec Priests could by this, their sealously guarded sacred Calendar, secretly keep count of the 366th day (which we now publicly intercalate as "Leap Day") each 4th (House) year, and adjust their heraldic declarations for all agricultural operations accordingly to public advantage. By that Calendar knowledge they developed Maine as the best Food America has raised for her people and humanity.

ANCIENT LEAP YEARS

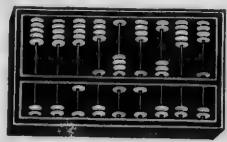
It is interesting to notice how naturally that extra (366th) day each 4th year gave to Leap-year such a National importance as instanced in the Olympiads of Greece, when the great Festival of Sports was held, and the like prominence of each 4th year in the Mexican (Aztec) Calendar, evidenced by the 4 recurring year signs arranged 13 times each around the great Mexican Cycle of 52 years.

Meanwhile they appear to have purposely allowed the Public Calendars to drift 1 day wrong each 4 years until 13 accumulated at the end of the 52 years' cycle, when they publicly added those 13 Leapdays to the end of the 52nd year as extraordinary Festival Days, to readjust their

Calendars more truly to the Season. The advantages of and desire for power have led early Priesthoods of many pagar faiths to evolve similar Calendar mysteries, by using correct secret Calendars along with incorrect public ones, to retain and yearly renew their power over the soiling masses of people by truly announcing the Seasons which were partly creeping through misleading publicly calendared years—or occasionally wielding their power to vary the lengths of public "years," as we shall later record how Joseph in Egypt and the Pre-Christian Pontiffs of Rome respectively did, for and against public welfare.

The main points of interest in the above Mexican Indictions are the incessant use of dots up to 5 later extended by such multiples of 5 as naturally led to the development of the "Abacus Method of

Counting."



CHINESE ABACUS COUNTS BY 5

This engraving of a Chinese Abacus (there named a swanpan or reckoningboard) is shown as registering the number 5,196,301. The 5 digits of the hand are represented by beads threaded on wires in the upper part for use like the Aztec first rows of dots up to the number 5, a figure some tribes represented by one thumb for 5 and a pair of thumbs for 10. These are shown in the lower part of the frame where each bead counts 5, to which when moved up to the middle bar, the finger units above them are added for the number moved down their respective wires for each denomination, ending with "units" to the right.

Like forms of Abacus are still in daily use practically throughout Asia and North Africa, and were universally used throughout Europe until about 700 years ago for recording the successive arithmetical operations now performed by use of Multiplication Tables and applying the zero (o), which a great Hindoo mind many centuries

before invented in India.

Until that brilliant and most useful idea was embodied for use as the symbol "O" to record tens passed forward, and passed by intercourse from India to Europe, arithmetic as we understand it could only

be done by similar laborious counting as that indicated by the tailies of "dots" upon the Astec Calendar, or the use of the emblems, knotted string, beade, shells or other such counting devices as the tally-switches used by the Sarcee Indians of Northwest Canada.

Those switch-eticles, 5 bundles of 30 each, are illustrated by proxy on the next page, because the original set given to me by "Bull's Head," the expiring Chief of the Sarces, appear to have got lost or destroyed while the extensive alterations were being made to the Yorkshire Museum, at York, in England, where I deposited them. They were so much like small skewers or fire-lighters that they may have met their fate by being consumed, but happily their anthenticity is established by the photographs and records more conveniently noted on the middle pages of this souvenir concerning the Evolution of our

The Sarcees, like other Red Indian Tribes, had progressed beyond the mere counting of Moon-months which, being nearer to 30 than 29 days long, led their Medicine-men as the tribal Almanak-makers to discern through generations of experience, that they could locate better times for sowing tobacco, grain and other seeds, by sallying 30 switch sticks as 30 days in every month, to better locate the Seasons and thence win more profitable crops for food and comfort.

Although they could not count beyond 5, their Medicine-man could tally up to 30 in units, after gathering 6 hand-counts of 5 each into 1 bundle of 30 pussy-willow-switches they used extensively as skewers to hang up buffalo and other meat to dry into perumican, for food during Winter.

It was that haunting necessity to prudently provide in advance sufficient food to last their families throughout the Winter that ultimately impelled every tribe and nation to devise the most reliable system by which they could tally the passing days, to measure the length of time their yearly crops and game food would have to last, and the amount of each kind of food required to yearly sustain them during that period of greatest need.

The spur of hunger, and its dread, had impelled generations of Sarcee Chiefs to insist upon their Medicine-men tallying each passing day by pulling one tally out from the monthly bundle of 30 switches or skewers, as I found Chief "Bull's Head" doing on that Sunday morning before that powerful (but then blind) old warrior said his impressive prayer of thanks to the

Supreme Spirit, without knowing that any stranger was there seeing and hearing.

That day happened to be near the middle of the month, when I noticed that his bundle for 30 days was divided into 2 nearly equal halves—almost like the middle true halves of 15 skewers each illustration the June and December monthly tallies the next page.

From the slightly larger half-bundle for "days to come" secreted between the wall and his bed-side, he took the tally for the current day (as illustrated on the Repeat-month for the 1st day of a new month) and inserted it into the thong-tied smaller bundle of "nights that were gone," similarly secreted beneath the mattress near his pillow, as the Patriarch Noah likely did.

Through the interpreter he explained how his thoughtful ancestors had progressed "beyond mere primitive moon-counters" and arranged their Calendar ("which sufficed before the white-men came") by using 5 bundles of 30 tallies each, commencing with the first Thunder of God bringing Rain each Spring.

Next "Bull's Head" explained how easily they approximated the Seasons and time food had to last, by always splitting the more ruddy-tinted 3rd bundle into 2 halves of 15 each, before they began to count their months corresponding to our June and December, to locate the Longest and Shortest Days, by the 15th tally-stick, as the Chinese calendar 15ths as Full-Moons.

Finally he told how they had had to use the last bundle over again for the 6th and 12th months, as they had since learned that there were 12 months and a few extra days in their Year. Those extra days, between their Goose and Frog months, were used for their New Year's (Spring) Festival.

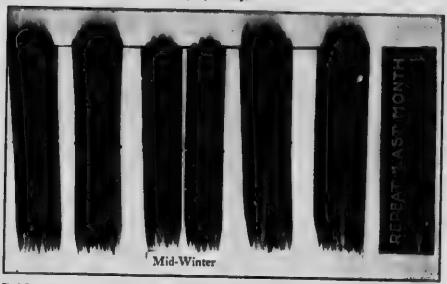
These are shown to demonstrate to readers part of the limitations which retarded Ancient Calendar and Chronological recorders, whose evolution of ideas and methods of record consequently most naturally expanded from the inevitable lunar month to 5 months and thence to 10, whilst more observant communities advanced from 5 to 6 months and thence to 12. That is approximately depicted in the adjoining illustration of the child's periodic growth during the first year of life's measure which all early Races used more or less as developing groups of months, wrongly translated "years," as proved by the great Chinese "Bamboo Classic" and records from Ancient Indian, Assyrian, Egyptian, Grecian and Roman civilizations.

The 5 BUNDLES CALENDAR used to count lives 3,000 years ago, in mietranslated "Years" only 5 months long-next extended to 6 months and thence to 12 months. One bundle to tally equal; "day-months had previously replaced uncertain so to 30-day Moons, The such at the end denotes the passing day, each morning drawn from its month's bundle of 30.



Red-Indian names for their first 6 months, during which the sticks were pointed upwards
Frog Sproating Egg (Duck) Moulting Flying Deer

About April May June June July August September



Red-Indian names for their last 6 months, during which the sticks were pointed down Fall Misty Clear Great Eagle Goose

About October November December December January February March

This 5 Bundles form of Calendar having 30 sticks for the 30 days in each of their always EQUAL MONTHS, was probably the earliest style of record used by our remote ancestors to count their days that were gone, and their more important coming days when drawing near to their Seasons for Hunting and Sowing Seeds. The 5 Bundles of 30 twigs each, appears to have been the form most naturally used by the Bible Patriarchs, from Noah to Abraham and Isaac. Next Jacob apparently brought the 6th month into use, by again using his last bundle, as the Chinese and other races using Lunar Calendars have continued to do when adding 13th months. The Red-Indians of Northwest Canada still secretly use that 5 Bundles form of Calendar. They always split the middle bundle into 2 of 15 each, to locate Mid-summer and Mid-winter, as explained on page 5.

To Illustrate the GROWTH of Ear., MEN'S IDEAS of the LENGTH of the YEAR Pide parts of pictures; 8 by Schiel; 5 by Ralph Peacoch; and to by Dehmen-Hinst.



Months I to 5—thence 6 to 12 (past 10)—to "one-year-old" I grew as you see. The Ages of Early great Bible-men—were counted in "parts-of-years," like me!

**Certified "O.K."—Drummer of "Oyster Bay"

The above combined series of 4 pictures approximately represent the 1, 5, 6 and 12 months' stages of a child's "let year" of life, with a view to impressing the minds of readers with the Chronological fact that there was a very similar but incomparably slower natural Evolution in the ideas of the early Tribes and Races of Mankind, who developed those partial gradually expanding "month-grouping-units" (mis-translated as "years") by which the great Bible-recorded men in Pre-Exodus Times counted their lives. Early men's ideas of the length of the year developed gradually during thousands of years, brimitive men looking through Nature's indications to the apparent source of life and power in the Sun, were too dazzled to be able to count the

the Sun, were too dazzled to be able to count the different numbers of days between long and slow-ly changing Seasons. They were baffled by the changing phases of the Moon, and over-awed by the mysterious approximation of recurring Moons to the re-vitalizing periods of female-generative-life.

They were also bewildered by the amazing myriads of ever-shifting stars, the brightest and most attractive of which, as Planets, whirled so confusingly past the slower stars, that obscured by erratic weather, it was practically impossible for primitive men to comprehend from those conflicting and complex manifestations, even the 12 and nearly one-third moons'-length of the year their descendants later discovered.

Despite that array of formidable difficulties while impeded by rivalries and tribal warfare, their leaders during many generations, through stern experience of hunger and necessity to provide by agriculture food in advance for Winter, accumulated knowledge of those best days in the year for preparing the soil, sowing different seeds, mating live stock, etc., now necessarily embodied in our Agricultural Calendars, as the united result of the mighty Pyramid and other world-wide efforts they exerted during mankind's "Evolution of our Almanaks and Calendars."

The following NOTES show that BIBLE-MEN DID NOT LIVE ANY LONGER THAN WE.

The Bible Ages of Patriarchs Only Equalled Our Lengths of Life

They could not discern the year's 365.242 days' length which we are only able to measure by astronomical instruments, printed records, arithmetical counts and precisely timed hours and minutes regulated by clocks and watches—all of which highly necessary aids to Calendar observation have been invented thousands of years since even Early Bible men zealously tried to trace out Nature's most useful and valuable secret of the "true length of the Year," to increase their food supplies.

As the Jewish historic record of the lives of early patriarchs printed in our Bibles is typical of other Ancient evidences and can be most easily understood, the following excerpts from the writer's notes on "The Natural Solution of the Early Ages of Men" (R. A. p. 65) may serve to demonstrate the 3 pre-year stages of "Almanak Evolution" recording time passed, which preceded the more useful development of Calendar dates as guides for seasons to come.

The following summary is typical for all patriarchs in their respective Eras, until the Exodus, when Moses having learned the true year's length from the Egyptians, gave the Israelites the great advantage of the 12 months year, as the surest means towards ensuring their permanent national velfare then and to their beloved children.

Unit used to	PATRIABCH	MISNAMED YEARS"	TRUE
Single moons only	Adam Methuselah Noah	930 969 950	75 79 77
5 mouths each of 20 days	Abraham Isaac	130 175 180	53 72 74
6 months (% yea		147	73
% years (in Egys Years after Exod	Moses :	120 80 - 40	80

Exodus XII, v. 2, reads: "This month shall be unto you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you." Moses derived the true year's length through his education as an Egyptian prince. That conclusively proves that the Israelites, including Moses and Joshua, at the Exodus first began to count their lives in full years. Consequently the earlier parts of their lives spent in Egypt (where they tenaciously held to their forefather Jacob's "Israelitish 1/2 year counts") should be reduced by half to derive the true years to be added to their final years lived in the Wilderness, as above shown for Moses whose recorded 120 years only totalled 80 of our years.

Joshua's 110 combined years corroborates that, as he was younger than Moses on leaving Egypt. Unfortunately his then age is not recorded.

Similarly no record exists to prove the age at which Joseph adopted the Egyptian full year as his life measure. Being the favorite son of Jacob, who doubtless taught him the most cherished secret of the 1/2-yearly sheep breeding seasons, he probably adhered to that count till middle age, say 40 true years, or 80 "Israelitish (half) years," to which may reasonably be added the remaining 30 as Egyptian full years, to complete his 110 years age, according to the last verse of Genesis.

After the "Exodus" all the ages of men recorded in the Bible are within the normal range of lives, the Psalmist naturally recorded as from "3 score years and 10" (70) to "4 score years" (80).

The term "year" was, during those 3 Eras, an expanding "Wheel of Time" evolved by 1, 5 and 6 (or 10) moon periods as units of life-count.

Will readers kindly note that the foregoing "Natural Solution of the Bible Ages of Men," as ordinary lives, has arisen simply through research into the evolution of early men's Calendar methods.

IST (NOMADIC) ERA OF MOON COUNTS

Early men lived by fishing and hunting. It was impossible for early races to count longer units of time than the month, indicated so mysteriously by the moon's changing phases when she was regarded as the mother of nature controlling the vitalizing period of motherhood, the drifting Tides facilitating primitive fishing along the Coasts of early settlements, and also serving as the light of night to communities who necessarily travelled during the cooler hours of night, in those hot countries where most of the ancient great nations were cradled.

The 930 "years" Adam is stated to have lived, were simply 29½ day cycles of the moon only totalling 75 of our years of 365¾ days. The following evidences are submitted to demonstrate that the lives of the patriarchs did not exceed the present lengths of matured lives, but that the; counted by shorter cycles, wrongly translated as "years"—neither ancient scribes nor later translators dare alter the hoary but literal age-counts of the people's remote ancestors.

Methuselah's recorded 969 "years" were simply "moon-counts," only totalling 79 of our full years. He may have been the oldest man tailied up to the close of that 1st era of moons, but easier conditions now enable men who live well ordered lives to exceed that age.

2nd (Pastoral) Era, Counting by 5 Moons-Possible Origin of the Deluge

This "Patriarchal Year" apparently applied from the time of Nosh, until Jacob discovered the two 6 months' periods for double breeding sheep and goats. Naturally Noah's age was traditionally passed down by his descendants as the 950 "Moons" according to the 1st simple mooncounts used by his parents. But as population increased separate moon-accounts became so tedious, that the much better record of bolder notches beginning every 5th month (later counting like the Egyptians 30 days to each) was probably begun as the and stage of Almanak Evolution, by cutting successive series of 5 notches on the tent-pole of their head tribesman, like the 7 week-day notches used during the Middle Ages, were cut to count weeks by the deeper notches for Sundays later illustrated on page 43.

Pastoral tribes were probably 1st led to notch on tent-poles their most profitable "5-moon periods" during which sheep and goats produce their young. Those animals were both the medium of exchange and important sources of food; therefore the tirnes from mating till the crops of lambs and kids were born, gave the incentive to tally longer periods than single moons.

Some tribes found that it was easier to count a fixed 30 days per month, because the moon's 29.53 lunation is nearer 30 than 29 days, and 30 stick-notches easier to tally.

They could not tally fractions of days, and needed equal-months divisible into halves, so they used a 2nd long unit of 150 days, tallied as 5 months of 30 days each—or 1½ "scores," as counted on hands and feet.

This and "Era of 150 day periods" is strongly confirmed by the biblical Ages of Abraham's 175 "years," corroborated by Isaac's 180 "years," which when measured by our years of 365 days, indicate that Abraham only lived 72 years, and Isaac 74.

The following records indicate that the elaborate record of the "Flood" was apparently needed to impress that far better method of fixed count into general use among Noah's descendents, because he discerned that they could more assuredly increase their flocks and crops by using fixed 5-months periods of 150 days, which the writer found being used by the Sarcee Indians of Canada, as illustrated on page 6 and explained on the middle pages.

- 1. Genesis, Chap. VII, v. 24, records, "And the waters prevailed upon the earth 150 days."
- 1. Gen. VIII, v. 3, records, "and after the end of the 150 days the waters were abated."
- 3. As the River Nile's Inundation generally rises about 150 days and falls about 150 days, remaining at "low Nile" a little more than 65 days, the following facts seem specially significant:
- 4. Genesis, Chapter VII, yerse 20: "15 cubits upwards did the waters prevail."
 - 5. ("R.A." p. 138) 15 cubits equal 25 ft.
- 6. The Nile Inundation at Cairo (vide the Encyclopsedia Britannica, Vol. VII, p. 706) usually rises that height of 25 feet, causing such an overwhelming flood that a family of nomadic predatory wanderers having crossed the Isthmus of Suez and temporarily settled on one of the slightly raised farm-stead-mounds, being surrounded by the Inundation may have had to construct a boat or raft which drifted out to the Mediterranean, where the East-drifting waves washed it to the Sy. is a shore, near which Noah's traditional Tomb is located near Baalbeck, north-east of Beyrout, the port for Damascus.

The knowing Egyptian frontiersmen may have relied upon the Inundation flooding the intruders out, as better than risking family lives in combat. Subsequently many generations traditionally telling Noah's story would likely add to its wondrous tale, after which the successive priestly recorders may, with the best intention, have added more elaborate details to make it more impressive, as some of them certainly did.

That seems evidenced by the strange insertion of the 6th to 10th months belonging to a later period, when the Arabs and Europeans prior to the foundation of the Roman Empire in 754 B. C. used the year of 10 months, which could not equate Abraham's age to 72 and Jacob's to 74 years, as the 150 days emphasized by the "Deluge record" makes credible. Further, the "Babylonian record" in the 11th lay of the Ancient Epic, Mr. Geo. Smith discovered, proves that only the live stock used on Eastern Farms were named.

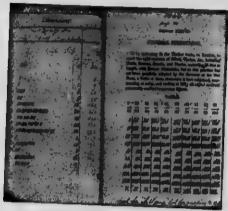
Our beneficent Creator has ever tended to elevate—not to exterminate—humanity.

Semi-settled Era of 6 Month Counts, by Sticks or Sunrise Amplitudes

Early men could not adopt the later "10 month year" directly after using single moon counts. They had to learn to group months into fives counted on one hand, long before they could double that count as the 2 hands unit of 10 months.

That, the calculating abacus frames still used by Chinese and Eastern Nations demonstrate, by their 5 beads or balls threaded on wires or rods, linking up 2 counterpart-beads (used as thumbs) to pair in order to record "ten," as shown on page 4.

It is significant that the easiest system of tallying by "fiver" is still used in every part in the world as these tables prove:



The Tally Table on the left shows how the universal 5 count indicates the totals figured in the second column. The more elaborate Table on the right is the British Customs Scale for scriving timber.

3RD (SEMI-SETTLED) ERA OF 6 MONTH-COUNTS, JACOB DEVELOPED AS SUMMER AND WINTER GROUPS OF MONTHS

This 3rd stage of Almanak Evolution based upon amplitude sun-rise observations, may be easily understood by reference to the illustrations on front plates C to F, and the first of the end plates "K," where and the first of the end plates "K," where the diagram and explanation of Jacob's rudimentary observatory of "pilled-stakes of Hazel, Chestnut and Poplar" are displayed as the most natural means which the increasing intelligence of progressive men could use, to locate the Seasons and thereby ensure yearly food to enable their families to live more settled, prosperous lives.

Young Jacob naturally following the noblest incentives for fuller life by striving to win a wife and flocks to live more comfortably, noticed by watching the varying points of sunrise, measured by what we now term the Sun's 1/4 degree unit (vide Plate E, Fig. 1) that at the Mid-summer

Season-about June 21st-in Syria, the Sun-rises appeared about 30 Sun-disk-spaces 15° North of East (East by North), but in the Mid-winter Season-about Dec. 22nd -the sun-rises were located, as per Frontplate "D," about 30 disk-spaces South of East (East by South) at that season, which interested him most, because his crops of lambs and kids then began to multiply, and upon their increase his prosperity depended.

To locate those Seasons for future guidance, he yearly tried to locate the most profitable breeding seasons by driving more distant stakes to more truly point his lines

of observation.

As will be later explained, thoughtful Jacob was naturally led to count two of his misnamed "years" to our one. That 1/2-year basis of count appears to have been used as the measure of his life, and by his descendants, until the Exodus.

Generally the early nomadic tribes developed their long-time units of 5 and 10 months entirely by moons, unt. I their successors began to realize the advantage of sowing seeds, when 30 fixed days per month often replaced the lunar period of 29.53 days. Next, as experience showed that better crops were gained by approximating the seasons, they were led to watch the scasonal sunrise points by erecting their horizon-wards advancing series of observatory stakes, as indicated on end-plate "K," using different kinds for each season, and notching or peeling distinctive rings thereon to denote fo. which years, as the Philistines of Gaza and the Ancient Druids of Western France similarly erected long "sun-set" rows of monoliths, where the level sea horizon season-points could not be differentiated until "sighting posts" were erected to focus season-locating observations on land adjoining Western shores. The seasons can be approximated as well by sunsets as by sunrises, provided that natural or artificial points are available for yearly tests. See Fore-plates C to F.

Those early British teachers—the Ancient Druids-for like Almanak purposes erected the triple monoliths seen footing front-plate E. The larger illustration here following, displays more clearly the Eastern horizon-directing curve of those most important W. E. and S. points which divide the Seasons by nearly three times the degrees of Amplitude Jacob had for guidance, as reference to the diagram on front-plate "D" proves. Jacob had only

British Druids Observed the Seasons by Sunrise and Sunset Amplitudes

the 30 sun-disk horizon range within which to differentiate the 182 days in each half year, which made his task (like that of earlier Sphinx observers) nearly thrice more difficult than the nearly 3 times wider

82 horizon-sun-breadths range that enlarged the "Amplitude Range" between the Midsummer and Midwinter sunrises, for the easier guidance of Ancient British Druids, as next pictured.

These three everlasting wedge-shaped monoliths on the rising ground over looking the widest plain in England. have an uninterrupted sunrise view to the undulating bills of the Yorkthire wolds bounding the eastern horizon. They formed a most ideal "Amplitude Observatory" for locating the seasons by the most obvious and best method early people could employ to calendae their "years."



The three huge Druidical "Arrows" at Aldborough, near York (England), mark the site of the earliest Capital of the ANCIENT BRITONS, whose leading advisers, the thoughtful "Druids," probably about the time of Jacob's death (1689 B.C. See Fore-plate F. fig. 1II) there used the "Amplitude Method" to locate the Seasons by the W and S points of Sunrise, sided by the opposite Sunset-points.

The essential W. E and S sight-pointers so suitably named "arrows" weigh about 35 tons each. Heavy weight was intended to prevent enemies from destroying and weather from wearing away those fixed points intended for permanent observations during many generations. They formed the triune pointers of this ancient observatory, used as the Sphing points W. E and S. displayed on

The Druidical "Amplitude Method" of observations being dependent upon watching the Sunrise (East) and Sunset (West) points, naturally led the thoughtful Druid observers to erect these highly useful "Arrow-pointers" with their thinner wedge-like aides facing the East and West respectively, to give truer points for their observations, made from their two "sighting locations" fixed to the right and left of the middle monolith as their "pivot pointer."

By Jacob's method we can double crops of sheep and goats by breeding HALF YEARLY IN BRITISH COLUMBIA AND OTHER SUITABLE PARTS OF THE WOMED

On page 257, ending the writer's description of ancient almanaks and calendars printed in the British Columbia Magazine for April, 1912, the reference to the double breeding seasons so patiently won from Nature by Jacob to enrich his family who developed the nation of Israelites, led many readers to enquire how Jacob found the great and valuable secret by which he redoubled the offspring from his flocks of

both sheep and goats, by breeding both flocks in March and again in September.

While fickle Laban could only increase flocks in the ratio of one, two, three and four, Jacob solved the problem of how to increase facilities of living for his family, by breeding sheep and goats in the double ratio of two, four, eight, sixteen and so forth, by the simple means recorded in Genesis, Chapters XXIX to XXXI, when rightly read.

Jacob's Seasons of 6-Months for Double-breeding Sheep and Goats



EWE 42 AND LAMB, AGAIN WITH HER TWINS,
FEB. 18, 1913 SEPT. 6, 2913 MAR. 31, 1913, AND HER YEAR-OLD LAMB
This own was rested during the autumn of 2913, but had triplets in the spring of 2914

The plain fact is, vide XXX v. 37, that "Jacob took him rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and chestnut tree; and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appear which was in the rods."

Those strakes or notches enabled him to recognize their respective dates and locations in his primitive observatory as diagrammed on End-plate "K," when he set them up the forked valleys of streams meeting where his "Fixed Central Sighting-Stake" or stone was erected—just as the ancient Druids during many centuries set up more permanent stone pillars in rows directed to enable them to locate precise seasons tor farming purposes, by watching the monthly variations of the points of sunrise along the horizon.

The vital point of observation he had to watch for was the central distant stake in line from the central sighting stake, to see when the sun rose due east on March 21 and September 23, in order to guide him to the right dates for driving the rams and he goats to their respective flocks for breeding, as Syrian farmers now locate by means of prittid calendars Jacob lacked. Jacob had only the sun and his own powers of observation to guide him by means of the farthest stakes he erected each six months, as indicated by the recent dates I have recorded on End-plate "K's" diagram.

Jacob was not the trickster some people wrongly judge him, after superficially reading Genesis XXIX to XXXI. While abiding by his contracts he served unobservant Laban according to his deserts. After Laban had reduced Jacob's wages ten times, and palmed Leah upon him instead of Rachel, it was not reasonable to expect

that Jacob would disclose to Laban the great secret means by which sheep and goats could be so rapidly increased, when they were then used as we use "money" (for exchange). That secret was consequently worth more than any patent since invented, so long as he could ensure good grazing for his flocks in the sheltered valleys during winter, and drive them to the bracing hill-sides in summer, as he could so easily do in Syria.

As both sheep and goats carry their young five months, Jacob allowed one month for the lambs to draw the mother's milk, and then got them to rely more upon the tender grass from the time rams were mated to the ewes. So Jacob (by observing that during about 6 cooler moons the Sun rises appeared South of his East stake, but during the warmer 6 moons they were located North of East) established two breeding seasons of six months each, which have been misinterpreted as "years."

Consequently the seven seasons he served for Leah and Rachel, respectively, were only three and a half years for each. It is further interesting to note that his descendants kept to that secret form of reckoning their lives until Moses won the secret of the true year's 365½-days length from the Egyptians, as the most useful knowledge requisite to enable the Israelites to provide food during their forty years in the wilderness, where Arab tribes still live by the

Thus Exodus XII, verse 40, mistakenly reads, "Now the sojourning of the Children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was 430 years," which were really half years, as proved by their going down to Egypt in 1706 B. C. and their Exodus in 1491 B. C.

Jacob's Half-yearly Breeding of Sheep Successful in British Columbia

—a difference of 215 years only. Similarly Jacob lived only 73½ years, counted as the 147 seasons (not years) of six months each.

These three pictures of ewe No. 41 and her lambs raised in both the spring and autumn seasons at the Canadian Government's Experimental Farm at Agassiz, B.C., demonstrate the fact that she had a lamb on February 18, 1912, and twins on September 6, 1912, followed by another lamb on March 31, 1913—lambs each six months in numerical

The following copy of a letter from Superintendent Moore establishes the fact that this great benefit of increasing the supply of human food in the form of mutton and lamb can be steadily attained without material, increasing the cost of keeping the ewes, the equently the cost of production can be reduced considerably.

DOMINION OF CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Experimental Farm for British Columbia Agassiz, B.C., November 19, 1913.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your note of recent date, we beg to advise that ewe No. 42 did not have a lamb this fall. . . . We did not wish her to have any, as four in succession is almost too bard on her and detrimental to the offspring.

With regard to the other sheep, we beg to say that two others had lambe this spring and fall; one had hers while we were away at the exhibitions and a pair of twins died. Ewe No. 39 had a ram lamb on February 34 and again a ram lamb on September 26, 1913.

Faithfully yours, P. H. Moons,

Superintendent.

Moses B. Cotsworth, Esq.

N.B.—These sheep had not the extra change and feed Jacob so easily found in Syria.

When the higher valleys above the Lower Fraser become available for graxing, as in Syria, the abundant feed and invigorating air will enable the double crops to be maintained, as they are now in Southern England, Argentina and other parts where graxing for two seasons is available for two crops of lambs per year.

But hulf-yearly lambing is not practicable on the colder prairies and Eastern provinces of Canada.

The main point is that, by using Jacob's method in British Columbia we can reduce

the cost of living, as indicated fifteen years ago in my preface to the "Rational Almanak" by the words: "Much can be done to ennoble our race and benefit mankind by patient efforts: even in such unlooked-for directions as increasing the production of skeep for food—whilst attempting to reform our drifting calendar system, which needlessly changes day-names throughout every year," and fails to yield the equal monthly measure needed in these times of monthly earnings and payments.

Those italic words, written during the writer's travels under ideal conditions through Syria and the Holy Land, observing the natural facilities which there existed for duplicate breeding, referred to the patient observation of the breeding seasons by Jacob (as recorded in Genesis, Chapters XXVI to XXXI) during the "years" he labored for Laban, whilst serving for Leah, Rachel and the "ring-straked, speckled and spotted" sheep and

The superscription prefacing the last half of the XXXth Chapter of Genesis reads, "Jacob's policy, whereby he became rich." Verses 31 to 43 under the light of research made during recent years into the Calendar methods of Ancient nations, discloses the very natural and worthy process by which Jacob laid that foundation of prosperity to ensure the success of his family and their descendants, who during the succeeding 1,000 years developed the thriving nation of Israelites, whose unprecedented welfare and happiness culminated in the reign of Solomon.

It may seem strange to find after the lapse of nearly 4,000 years that beyond the sterling characteristics of that worthy family for steadfast perseverance, the practical factor which led to their abundant and lasting success was the value of Almanak knowledge of the Seasons which Jacob discovered and inculcated secretly into the minds of his children—as the Egyptians and Babylonians (who both bred sheep and goats twice yearly) with other great races similarly won permanent prosperity for their nations.

The limited space available for this article precludes recording the more complete proofs detailed in the 43 pages from 149 onwards in the "Rational Almanak" and since proved by extended researches.

But it seems advisable to mitomize therefrom, as below, the natural planation the writer has derived concerning the astute scheme of highest statesmanship by which Jacob's favorite taught ron, Joseph, later accomplished his most beneficial Land Reform in Egypt.

By working through the then degenerate Priests whom he, with Pharach's aid, induced to declare the Season for agricultural operations accurately throughout 7 years, he was enabled to ensure the people bumper crops, while he bought in the surplus corn, etc., at very low prices, and stored it to thereby force the relatively high prices he was enabled to charge during the next 7 years of famine he incurred by reducing crops artifically through inducing the Priests to declare the seasons in wrong months.

Thus "by cornering the market"-not as Leiter and other base bleeders of industrious people have recently done, to the detriment of humanity-but to rid the Egyptian toilers from the incubus of extortionate money-lenders who were by usury grinding their beholden farmers down into servitude, Joseph schemed and carried into effect that noble plan by which he used the money derived from the sale of the highpriced corn during the 7 years of artificial famine, to buy up for the nation the thus depreciated land at its lowest price, and thereafter establish for the Egyptians that most just and helpful system of state-tenancy of land, which Genesis XLVII, v. 26, records, "Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth part (of the produce as rent), except the land of the Priests only, which became not Pharaoh's."

The priests alone were allowed to retain their land, as the reward for loyalty to Joseph's scheme and the secret help they were able to give, through being the sacred heralds upon whose fidelity the people (without any other calendar guide) depended for timely calendar declarations to direct seasonal agricultural work, as proved by verse 22, which reads, "Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had a portion (of corn, etc.) assigned to them of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them; wherefore they sold not their lands."

We need not wonder that "the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh" (XLI, v. 37), as by the scheme so plainly indicated by the priestly duplications in

Pharaoh's dream, Joseph first ensured 7 years of surplus food he stored for use during the famine, before inducing the priests to purposely direct the times for sowing, etc., one or more moon's wrong (when none outside of the priesthood could detect), during the 7 years of wrong season crops thus greatly reduced, causing the famines, to accomplish Joseph's purpose. By that every Egyptian was brought to regard Pharaoh as the noble monarch, to whom they owed everything, including their lives saved by his and Joseph's foresight in storing food.

They were thenceforth glad to unite in what really was a co-partnership that resultantly bound the nation together, as the royal landlord mutually sharing in the prosperity of the Nation's Agricultural Tenants, who were the strongest possible backbone of Egyptian life—as farmers have ever been in every permanently prosperous nation.

As such they became rightly safe-guarded by just and liberal; government efforts nobly directed to always assure farmers and workers, that however abundant crops they produced, their Economic Rent (including taxes) would justly remain only one-fifth of the value derived from the nation's land, through which neither speculators nor usurers could inflict any of the cruel handicaps now imposed upon farmers.

That uprooted the ruinous speculative and usury methods which have ruined some civilizations and blighted others, but benefitted none in reality, by their extortions.

After forty years study of the operations of the land systems of Europe and America the writer considers that the most beneficial land system humanity has ever known was the one-fifth part of the value produced (here termed "Economic Rent") Joseph designed under such ideal conditions, that if any lazy tenant failed to work his land efficiently it "reverted to the nation" (represented by Pharaoh) and was promptly available to be granted for productive use to the next better man available.

That admirably established system provided the best possible incentive for every family and colony to fully develop their permanently rented lots of Land, Quarries, Mines, etc., which, so long as they were worked consistent with the public interest, were as secure to them as land purchased or "pre-empted" from American governments.

Land Benefits Joseph Derived by Re-gearing the Calendar

It further promptly won for Egypt that greatest possible national advantage, of being able to reward by promoting the best working families and colonies (whether formed by groups of either sex or mutually or arbitrarily selected) to the more productive Lands, Quarries, etc., vacated by deaths or forfeitures, so that the most worthy families and colonies prospered best.

The natural result enkindled the ennebling spirit of admiration and emulation in friends and neighbors, who observed those excellent examples—just as school children, college graduates, and adults with well-ordered minds, profit by appreciating the successful accomplishment of persons

who produce the best results.

If ancient Joseph, after 3600 years, could now review the highly dangerous speculative developments in the Natural Resources of such recently settled countries as the northwest of the United States and Canada (especially in British Columbia) he would deplore that greatest scourge of our eivilization now relentlessly levering up the Cost of Living throughout America and Europe—through the lack of that simple but most effective "Power of Reversion to the Nation" of Land or other such Natural Resources as Minerals, Timber, Waterpower, etc., when not used in the rightful interests of the nation.

If excessive "Equatorial Rains" caused the Nile to overflow and ruin part of their 3rd crop on the higher "sharake" fieldsor extraordinary heat through "Sunspots" diminish crops beyond the control of farmers-then that "Economic Rent" of one-fifth the value derived from the nation's land, automatically reduced that Rent and Tax Charge, rightly giving timely reliefwithout imposing on loyal workers the indignity of having to ask for that simple justice-but happily sharing mutually during adversity and prosperity, thus preventing usurers and legal abusers from handicapping poor Farmers laboring under misfortune.

The like mutual sharing in both prosperity and adversity applied to their flocks, herds, poultry, etc. In abundant seasons the Government got the 5th part and accumulated the safe-guarding surplus for relief during seasons when misfortunes by the spread of disease, drought or accident befel worthy farmers.

If workers homes were destroyed by fire

or earthquakes, that just "economic rent" system afforded like relief.

But most beneficial of all for Egypt was the ever-watchful care of Joseph's administration through Pharaoh, thereafter exercised to ensure prompt and right Calendar directions, to ensure agricultural and other work being done in due season, to enhance the prosperity and happiness of all.

We may realize the feasibility of that scheme Joseph so beneficially imposed on the illiterate people in Egypt, when we recall the fact that no calendar information was available to guide agriculture, except by priestly declarations; and the further fact that about 1600 years later, far worse trickery was practised upon the masses of the people of the great Roman Empire, necessitating Julius Cæsar's Reform of their Calendar in the year 46 B. C.; when he found the Roman Calendar was drifted about 3 months out of gear with the seasons. The pre-Christian Pontiffs had pandered to some powerful military provincial governors, who, to graft an extra month taxes for personal gain, bribed the Calendar-declaring Pontiffs, to herald in the 13th moon (month) more frequently than every 3rd year, to which it naturally should have been added, because there are about 12 and one-third moons comprised in one Solar year, or 37 moons in 3 years.

The fact of the then Egyptian civil year being drifted through all Seasons of a series of 1460 years, provided further cover for Joseph's scheme through its being developed during the "Sothic Period" of 1460 sacred or full years of observation, during which 3651/4×4=1461 of the then Egyptian Civil Years of 365 days each (without any Leap-day adjustment) elapsed between the celebrated occasions when the Sothic Star, "Sirius," rose just before the Sun on the 1st day of the month Thoth—the Egyptian Civil New Year's

Day.

According to Michell's "Egyptian Year," p. 30, that "Sothic Period" ended in B. C. 1322. Thence the writer deduces that it began B. C. 2782 (more than 1,000) years before Joseph's system was devised about B. C. 1715) and probably about 500 years after the descendants of the Great Pyramid's founders had discovered and so far developed Astronomy of the Fixed Stars, by the simple means of direct observation pointed by that pyramid's Apex—as indicated on end-plates "T" and "U"—that their local priests in distant Temples were secretly enabled to note that Sothic

sun-rise point of the true year.

We should bear in mind that shortly before Joseph's Time, Egypt was conquered and oppressed by the savage hordes the Egyptians later recorded in derision as "Shepherd Kings," who probably killed the Pyramid Priests, whose secret Calendar knowledge probably died with them.

Further we note that the Hebrew priesthood writers of Genesis and Exodus were incensed by the Egyptian oppression of their ancestors descended from Joseph and his brethren during the reign of later Pharaohs who (vide Exodus I, v. 8) knew not Joseph—consequently they did not record the many good features of Egyptian

civil affairs.

Some idea of the marvels of utility developed by the long preceding Egyptian pyramid-builders may be gathered from the following outline disclosing the great Calendar directing purpose for which they erected those greatest structures mankind have built—the Pyramids of Egypt, before which the Sphinx was apparently used.

The Sphinx typifies the earliest "amplitude" method of tracing the seasons in order that every year the proper dates for tilling and sowing might be exactly located. A mistake of a week or more would mean the failure of one crop, which was a serious disaster in the thickly-peopled Nile Valley. The data could be derived by standing at the rear of the Sphinx and using its Asp like a rifle sight for noting the exact position of the sun as it rose between the points of a range of hills on the other side of the Nile Valley. In order to render the observation as accurate as possible the most essential 3 pillars, or socket-holes for "sighting staffs," would inevitably be located on the higher rear-ground, as indicated by W. E. and S. on Front-plate "J." The pointed Asp above the Sphinx-brow served as the "pivot-point" to fix the sighting-line from those rearpoints to the 3 season-dividing sun-risepoints, as readers can easily see by watching how the seconds-pointer on a watch guides our sight more distinctly from the pointer's rear-extension, across the fixed pivot, to the long point's tip when pointing to the vertical 12, indicating noon, which divides our days equally, like the sun-rise point on the Sphinx's Eastern horizon at the Equinoxes divides the Seasons equally, vide Plate "C."

The Great Pyramid is the acme of the "meridian" method by which the greatest of the ancient nations searched out the precise limits of the seasons. They did that by measuring the varying seasonal lengths of the shadow thrown by the pyramid along the meridian line, as on Plate 5 the almanakmakers of Sarawak are shown measuring that noon-shadow cast by the gnomon pole still used by scattered races. But to feed Egypt's dense population, from crops grown on the narrow areas adjoining the Nile, needed such intensive agriculture that generations of Egyptians were impelled to build pyramids as the only structures they could erect high enough to record precise days by shadows—then used as the best guide to direct most vital efforts and ensure national food supplies—as explained on Fore-plates
"J, I and 2."

The stupendous labors of the pyramid

The stupendous labors of the pyramid builders, which 'oday cause wonder and amazement, were more necessary to secure Egyptian food supply than the building of the navy in our generation is needed to insure the food supply of the British people. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PYRAMID SHADOWS

Owing to the varying movements of the sun towards its highest and lowest points in the noonday sky during the 4 seasons of the year, the shadow of a pyramid has two extreme limits, namely, when the shadow is longest at noon and when it is shortest at noon. These limits mark mid-winter and the equinoxes. Before the spring equinox when the sun is midway towards its highest point, the shadow shortens about four feet every noon. After the autumnal equinox the shadow reappears and begins to lengthen about four feet more every day at noon. This rate of increase in the length of the shadow diminishes in October

finally the shadow reaches its extreme length on the shortest day, December 22.

and is further curtailed in November, and

When the pyramids were built five thousand years ago, the shortest shadow apparently fell about the Equinoctial Day, March 21, when history records that the ancient Egyptian year began, but if the Slope was not then truly Equinoctial, the pyramid's New Year's Day may have been earlier, though it is almost incredible that the Pyramid Priests could have missed that central point of Astronomy, "the 1st point of Aries," from which the Astronomic year has always been reckoned since the Evolution of Meridian Astronomy began.

The Pyramid's secret Shadow-rods disclose its Calendar-recording Purposes

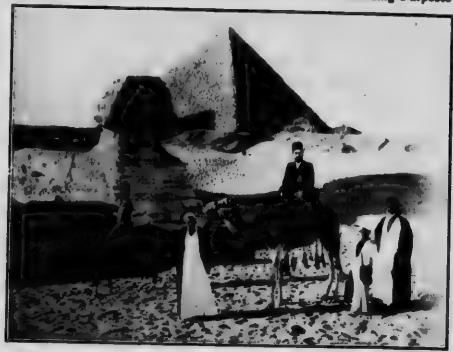


Plate 2. The Great Pyramid and the Sphinx, marking the birthplace of our Almanak and Calendar. These huge structures are regarded with curious awe by the twentieth-century tourists, and are generally supposed to be merely stupendous monuments and tombs of ancient rulers of Egypt. They are really the greatest instruments of their kind used to establish and keep a correct yearly record of the seasons. They were built so that "seed time and harvest may not fail." Note the triangular shadow on the pyramid's light side; for its use see paragraph 3. The Arris-ridges, from corners to Apex, enabled observers to trace the courses of the Stars.

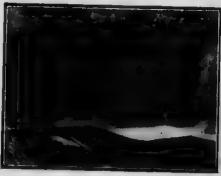




Plate 2. These photographs were taken on 2 consecutive days in March, at the foot of the Great Pyramid, to illustrate the use of the "meridian rod" for marking the length of the shadow at noon each day. Note the pebbles one foot apart on the rod to photograph the varying length of the pyramid's shadow from the mid-foot of the Northern Slope, which before next noon had "swallowed its own Shadow," (as did "Aaron's Rod" and the like "Rods" of the Egyptian magicians when thus used). The adjoining picture proves by the absence of shadow on the rod, that the Sun had risen above the Slope and so had begun that Pyramid's "New Year."

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These rods were removable in order that the priests could preserve the mystery surrounding the science of Almanak-making. This mystery led the people to regard with reverential fear the priests who prescribed the seasons. To be buried in the mysterious pyramids was an honor reserved for the greatest men, as we bury our greatest in cathedrals and around sacred places.

the priests who prescribed the seasons. To be buried in the mysterious pyramids was an honor reserved for the greatest men, as we bury our greatest in cathedrals and around sacred places. An examination of End-Plates N and P will show that the daily elevation of the Sun to a higher noon-point in the sky towards the Spring Equinox shortens the shadow of the pyramid about four feet each day. That is measured by the 4 shadowed pebbles on the rod, whereon the more than 4 feet long shadow (diagrammed for Spring, 1903, footing End-Plate P) ends where the sunlit part of Ancient Rods marked the white end to be cut off on the "Year-day," when the Pyramid Priest filed the shadowed part for comparison (as per P, Fig. VI) and noted over 1 foot of elongation each 365-day year, followed by the mystic LEAP BACK over 3 feet in 366-day (Leap) years. Thence the Priests counted days for Calendar purposes.

The natural gauges and data checks displayed on End-Plate "N" prove that even if the Slope was then to the noon-sun a few days earlier, the Egyptian year-ending-noon-shadow would always disappear within 24 hours of the same numbered day's date in each Solar Year, and the next day would always be the pyramid's registered New Year's Day, as Plate "P" demonstrates.

While the Egyptian farmer rejoiced 2. in having plenty of work for the myriads of slaves who toiled in the hot sunshine of that fertile and densely-peopled valley, the toilers themselves longed for the hour of the noonday rest, just like the toilers in every country today. The signal for rest was the shadow of the pyramid at noon. This could be seen by many of them. To others it was recorded by Obelisks or Shadow-staffs, such as that shown on Plate 5, or those on Fore-Plate G and End-Plate M. The toilers in the great railway and other workshops today regard no less gratefully "standard noon time," which is flashed to them by telegraph. This is part of what we spend money on observatories and astronomers for in these modern times. The correct noon time has been a most vital factor in the life of the people through all the ages. It must ever be the central point in all astronomy and transactions controlling time in human affairs. But what is more important to both paid workers and slaves is the signal for quitting work, recording the time when they are free to seek the joys of home and rest. That time was evidenced by the triangular shadow of the Second Pyramid shown on the Great Pyramid's East Slope.

3. The interesting feature of that picture is not the author on the camel, nor the mounted policeman, nor the old guide and his attendants. It is that triangular shadow on the Great Pyramid. During 5,000 years that shadow has indicated every day more surely and more extensively than any clock, the precise time for the toilers in the valley of the Nile to leave work. In ancient times the hill of Keswick was used for similar purposes in England, as per End-plate L.

The shadow explains why pyramids were built finally within shadow reach of their less perfect predecessors. While the orientation of pyramids must be governed by the position of the true north, south, east and west points of the compass, they are built in angular relation to each

other so that the time may be displayed by certain shadows being cast on adjacent pyramids, visible daily for many miles around.

4. That shadow was cast by the sun setting west of the Second Pyramid, which is situated a third of a mile away. The photograph was taken towards 6.0 p.m. on the 3rd December, 1900, and could be seen through the clear air of Egypt by thousands of toilers to the southwards of

Cairo-vide Fore-plate "J."

Of the many wonderful sights the writer has been privileged to see in his travels in Europe, Syria, Egypt and America, the most impressive was witnessed just after this photograph was taken. Allee Gabree, the most experienced guide to the pyramid, took us up the broken slope of the Great Pyramid to see the sunset. Glorious as that was seen across scores of miles of the Sahara Desert, it was not so impressive as the vast and rapidly-moving shadow of the pyramid to be seen eastward. It extended for miles, "like the wings of time," so often used symbolically over the doors of Egyptian temples, as depicted on pages 50, 57, 129 and 132 in the "Rational Almanak" and condensed in part on End-Plate O. There we saw this wonderful shadow flitting from point to point at railway speed over sand dunes, palm trees and river as its wing was deflected by the sinking sun.

5. The contrast between our puny shadows and the vast shadow-wing cast by the Great Pyramid under our feet disclosed why the pyramids were built to such enormous heights. After most strenuous and protracted labor, Egyptians built nearly seventy pyramids before they perfected the Great Pyramid as their final Almanak recorder. By these they wrested from their living sungod, "Ra," the mystery of the varying seasons. To them he appeared to control their lives by rising to the meridian, and lowering to the horizon each day. His priests measured the daily variations in length as each noon's shadow crossed that equating line of astronomy, the meridian (vide Plates 2 and 5). By cutting off shadow rods at the shadow's edge and preserving them for comparison during the equinoxes of each year, and counting the days in months between, those early astronomers first revealed to humanity the length of the year.

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Measuring the Calendar of Days by Shadows on the Meridian

They later gradually developed the Aimanak by counting the days between each final disappearance of the noon-shadow in March and its reappearance in September, when measurements would be resumed, each noon-shadow's tip marking the location of its day in the six Wintermonths.

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End-Plate "P" diagrams 10 years' shadows.

At the winter solstice, the lowest point of the sun in the noonday sky, the Egyptians invoked their god not to sink any lower as they were afraid he would forsake them altogether. It will be obvious what an opportunity was presented to the priests to impress the religious aspect of their work on the simple minds of the people. The ancient Chinese had a similar fear at that time of the year, but they thought the sun was being pulled down by devils, whom they tried to scare away by beating gongs, letting off firecrackers and making noises.

6. In addition to finding the length of the year and the order of the seasons, the priests of Ra, the sun-god, had to record the varying lengths of the days. The meridian line extended north from the centre of the base of every pyramid, obelisk or pole, to locate the yearly position of the day and its length as indicated by their daily and yearly observations. These observations were made on the "shadow floor," and over the Arrisridges cornering and uniting the Pyramid's 4 slopes.

The mid-day N.W. and N.E. chadows could easy be east from a w pyramid near Chiro during the six Winter months, when the N.W. and N.E. "arris-ridges" would both be brought into play thrice daily, but during the Summer each ridge would only cast its "arris-line" shadow during morning and evening of each day.



EXPERIMENTAL BIAGRAM for contrasting PYRAMIU
"ARMS-LINE-DEFLECTED" SUN-SHADOWS, with
a derresponding "uninterrupted" Equinoxial DAYS
BHADOW-TRACK from's SUSPENCED GLOSE.

The above symmetrical elliptic curve on the shadow floor outlines the path of the Apexpointed tip of the Great Pyramid's shadow between 9.0 a.m. and 3.0 p.m. on the Equinoctial Day, when it was shortest as the Sun crossed the sky-meridian at E, foreshortening the shadow's tip to "e" as it crossed the floor-meridian-line on the day the Sun crossed the Pyramid's indicated Equator, thus marking its "set point of Aries" as the day beginning their "New Year."

For Mid-summer noon the 83° chained line 8 to "p" shows the angle of the Obelisk's shadow—and the lowest 37° angle W to "w" indicates the longest noon length for the Midwinter shadow measured on the meridian line.

The Sun's Equinoctial Elevation of 60° (indicated by the "dotted line") demonstrates the 30° latitude of the Great Pyramid's location by the 30° complementary angle E, P, Z, between the vertical 30° of the Zenith's "Z" and the Equinoctial line "Z" that determined the pyramid's slope.

The beautifully-levelled shadow floor of that famous observatory temple, the Great Pyramid, is splendidly preserved under the accumulated debris of 4,000 years. Plate 2, showing photographs taken on consecutive days, shows how the shadows varied from day to day at noontide. In March as the final shadows approached the pyramid they short... In downward they short... In the shadows approached the pyramid they short... In the shadows lengthened about 4 feet per day. In each recurring year these phenomena indicated the approach of summer and winter.

Pharach and the Priests of "Ra" Heralded the Seasons

It is significant that at the instant of noon, when the shadows were measured by the priests of Ra, then began the Egyptian noon-time of prayer. Noon is still the pivotal universal time for beginning astronomical "days."

After the passing of Miu-winter the shadows began to show faint signs of steadily shortening. Then came the lengthening days, full of promise to the worshippers of "Ra."



Plate 3. Pharaoh with his queen and children eistributing gifts of life, power, knowledge of the seasons, etc., direct to his people, as received from their living sun-god.

The sun is pictured as handing down first the ten days (five counted on each hand) of the ancient "decade," a trinity (three) of which constituted their uniform manths of thirty days constituted their uniform months of thirty days each—used until the end of the year, when another "hand" of five days was added.

We next notice that the longest rays from

the centre of the sun reach down around Pharaoh's body till they clasp his heart to keep

Pharach's body till they class his neart to keep him wholeheartedly for God, and avoid the great danger of selfshness.

The source of life in the sun is denoted by the loop-key "emblem of life" appended below the disk. Lower down the sun's ray-like hangs and the sun's ray-like hangs of life name Pharach are conferring that gift of life upon Pheraoh and his queen, who, reaching them lownwards to the people, graciously pass on the horseshoe-like "gift-rings of Menes" to the Egyptians, irrespective of rank or caste. The legend inscribed on those rings as a daily reminder al-ways was: "The sun-god of the two solar mountains—the east (sunrise) and the west (sunset)-whose name is the darter of beams and who lives in the disk of the sun, daily watching in love over the children of men."

Pharaoh was the High Priest of Ra and the King of the Egyptians. He was regarded as the only medium through whom Ra distributed his blessings. Plate 3 illustrates the position Pharaoh held in relation

to the sun in the minds of worshippers of Ra, to whom the Priests heralded such Calendar essentials as those condensed on the Egyptian Calendar's agricultural notes facing page 1, periodically announcing each, sufficient days in advance, to locate:

(a) When to prepare their land in advance for sowing rice and other crops needing preparation before the Inundation.

(b) The best dates upon which to sow each of the numerous varieties of crops

(c) The seasonal dates on which to mate camels, cattle, sheep, goats and other live

(d) Such further information as is yearly printed on the present Egyptian Calendar for Agricultural, Festival, Civic and National purposes.

Pharaoh is here pictured with his family as receiving direct from the sun the gifts that he distributed to his subjects. The rays which reach down and embrace the figures symbolize the direct benefits the Sun-God "Ra" conferred on Egyptians through Pharach.

Pharaohs then were like the present rulers of Abyssinia and Persia. Their title of "Shadow of God, Centre of the Universe," and the sun on their royal standards indicate a surviving idea of rulers receiving life and season knowledge from the sun.

There was more fervency and full-souled worship among the Egyptians than among any other sun-worshippers. The following inscription was taken from under a representation of the symbol shown in Plate 3. It appears in a tomb or hallowed restingplace at El Amarna, and reads: "Thou shinest, O! Lord beneficent, the Sun King, giving life for ever and ever, even the living disk of the Sun. No guide goes before Thee: when Thou emittest Thy beams all eyes see clearly. Now Thou art rising, O! King, from the mountains of the East to make perfect the lives of man, bird and beast. All things in the world glorify Thee; they are made strong by Thy gifts," etc.

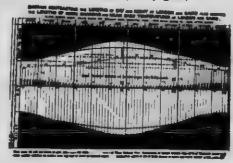




Plate 4. Druidical stone circle near Keswick, England, used in ancient days to trace the seasonal movements of the sun and moon for the purpose of constructing Druid Almanaks. The most famous of these mysterious circles is, of course, the one at Stonehenge on Salisbury Plain. In this connection again the methods of locating "seed time and harvest" for the common good were associated with religious ceremonies. The Druids' festivals with their sacrifices and processions, in which the sacred mistletoe was arried, were a ritual that grew up about the task of studying the seasons. The Druids, like the Egyptian priests of Ra, the Sun-God, were primarily astronemers, who grew to occupy a mystic place in the imaginations and thoughts of and rulership. They used the "Amplitude Michods" depicted on Fore-Plates C, D, E and F, point) to locate the Seasonal Sun-rise and Sun-set points, as the ancient Sphinx observers did in Egypt, vide fore-plate "J." The Druidic observatories usually consisted of 50 stones (typical in a circle representing a practical fixed model of the horizon circle's limit of vision to locate the seasonal positions of the Sun on the horizon—for calender purposes to aid agriculture and public welfare.



The ANCIENT DRUIDICAL OBSERVATORY TEMPLE at STONEHENGE (ENGLAND)

Probable Calendar Origin of the "North and South Poles"

Had the unknown person who wrote those words, "strange religion," known more of the practical lives and useful culture of the Ancient Druids, that phrase would have been better described as the "Legislative-Assemblage" of the rulers and leaders of thought in Ancient Britain.

This representation of Stonehenge during the great Mid-summer Festival of the Druids on June 21st, about 3,600 years ago (as evidenced by Front-plate F illustrating its present condition) is intended to convey some idea of that very early center of Ancient British government and culture, as the Arch-Druid led the procession into the

ceremonial enclosure.

The blazing Sun heading the Serpent, together with the Moon and emblem cluster representing the Stars, indicate the vital year-recording-purpose of that marvellous erection of huge stone pillars conjoined by the raised horizontal stones forming that remarkable "Elevated Circle," which the writer submits was astronomically used to measure off sections of the starry dome of night by thus contracted and localized star horizons, as Eratosthenes the Egypto-Greek Astronomer at Alexandria, about 250 B.C., similarly used the elevated horizon of the Armillary Sphere he invented (as illustrated below) and thereby extended Astronomical Science, and made the first measurement of the Earth, vide Fore-plate "Jr."

The engraver of that old print, evidently through lack of knowledge, omitted the high Star-sighting Pole, also used as a shadow deflector, upheld by the Groovedstone as Dr. Eddowes of London proved

per "R. A. 291."

The shorter pole (apparently crowned with summer foliage like the May-pole) may represent the "North Pole" that registered the North direction of the "Floor Meridian Line" as per Fore-plates D and G, by which the Mid-day Shadow from the higher "South Pole" divided the hours of the Day as per End-plate "M."

Those mast-like Poles have long since decayed, and been forgotten in the hoary ages of the past, like the 2 reverse coiled serpent signs, which probably typified 2 competing cults of priests, the 1st locating its Seasons and Festivals by the "clock-wise" direction of the Sun and Zodiacal Stars, while the less exacting College of Priests in that Primeval University at Stonehenge apparently used the more obvious reverse method indicated by the "Twin-pointers" on Nature's "Polar Clock in the Sky."



The ARMILLARY SPHERE, as used by Eratosthenes, who made the first measurements of the Earth (vide Map on Fore-plate Jz) by a combination of Elevated Circles like this.

Although some superficially educated persons affect to scoff at the idea of such an instru-ment being useful, the fact is that Eratosthenes thereby discovered the distance between the Tropics, and made great advances in Astronomy.

The Armillary Sphere, representing the great circles of the Celestial heavens, thence became extremely useful to early navigators, especially when they had a fair-sized celestialglobe representing the Earth in the centre, on which were depicted the Principal Stars visible to the naked eye. Then the outer sphere for celestial circles could be turned to Latitude and Meridian near which the "fixedstars" of prominence used by navigators could be located, at the precise Seasons and times of night, as may be seen indicated herein by the 4 Seasonal Star Maps of the visible heavens, with their appended Time-Table for each night, thence Calendared throughout the Year.



ELEVATED STONE-CIRCLE meer BAALBECK in SYPIA

This photograph, taken by the writer in the year 1900 while investigating the wonderful Ancient Temples to the Sun and "Baal" near which it was apparently erected about the time of Christ, illustrates the advantage of the elevated horizontal circle, which the writer's personal observations at such Druidical Observatories and Stone Circles in different parts of the World lead him to conclude were erected to establish the then necessary "above-groundhorizon-gauge" to more accurately register the Seasons by "sighting" the prominent Stars diagonally across the circle, at an elevation as far as practicable clear of the lowland fogs and mists which obstructed the lower "risings and settings" of Nature's Calendar-indicators-the Sun and Stars.

The "elevated circle" also enabled the priestly observers to use that sighting-plane to better locate the precise times of transit of the Sun at Sunrise, Noon and Sunset, also of the Calendar's chief date-locating Stars of 1st magnitude, over the edge of that truer Observatory circle, to the thus more equal and definitely registered Calendar points, along and above the thence better observed

horizon and meridian.

The priests could further use the highpole so erected in the enclosure that its top, like the one used by the Pyramid builders, located the Pole-Star when viewed from the South-point on the edge of that elevated circle, and thus with approximate accuracy fix the North-line of the Meridian, past which the ever cycling Circumpolar Stars each clear night ticked off the passing Calendarday, as registered by the nightly 4 minutes precession of the twin-directing "Pointer-Stars" I have arrowed both to the Pole-Star and their outer Calendar locating dial-dates, on the Intermediate Calendar Basis diagrammed as "The Polar Clock in the Sky."

That higher plane for Horizon-use of the Elevated-Circle seems conclusively evidenced by the low crescent arches, so superposed above the 8 orientated sides of the Elevated-horizon-gauge, that vertical rods or sharp-pointed indicators could be inserted therein, to establish fixed horizontal sighting diameters as "Sighting-line-direction-marks" projecting the line of observation across from the peep-heles on opposite sides of that "Elevated-Circle," and thereby locate the "Rising and Setting Points" for both the Sun and Stars, to thence Calendar the Days throughout the year according to the guiding data thus acquired.

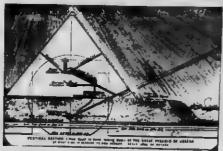
Some of the monoliths and imposts have been shattered and displaced by earthquakes.

8. The earlier tracing of Seasons by Sunrise, as typified on Fore-plate J. by the Sphinx-rays to the hills visible on the east side of the vile, had its countrepart in other countries. The ancient Me icans used truncated, orientated pyramids, and the Peruvians "cones," "huacsa," : cc., to "aight" across their corners and sides the direction of sunrise at each season, to derive their separately acquired Almanak knowledge. The ancient Druids of Europe used stonecircles as observatories for similar seasonfinding purposes, as pictured in Plate 4 and Front-plates C, D, E, F and J.

9. Beyond all the wonderful and almost incredible results obtained by the Egyptians through their pyramid observations, there were certain unknown factors at work that puzzled and misled them. For instance, as per Front-Plates C, D, E and F, they saw the result of the astronomical movement now known as the Precession of the Equinoxes, but were not acquainted with its cause. It was not until 200 B.C. that Hipparchus differentiated that phenomenon. The Egyptians saw that every cycle of four years the Shortest Shadow leaped back just behind the tip of the "rod" used to measure it 4 years before, and that apparently a day was added to the usual number of 365. It caused the shadow cast by the pyramid to "leap back," as it were, on a certain date a shadow distance equal to one day. This was because the Sun crosses the Equator at different quarters of the Earth on the Equinoctial Day in each year as is now perfectly understood by modern astronomers, as later shown.

10. Geological evidences and recent explorations over Greenland and Alaska, demonstrate the stupendous fact that during the 5,000 years elapsed since the Great Pyramid was built, there has been an incessant removal of the Polar Ice-cap from Alaska towards Greenland by evaporation and redeposit as snow, yearly accumulating countless millions of tons of Glacial Ice, forming the Ice-cap of Greenland, covering almost the whole of that continent to a depth of 9,000 feet. That mass if spread over Europe and North America would be about 500 feet thick. There is nothing to counterpoise it on the Siberian side, hence the gravitation of the world is disturbed by it, so that the latitude of every place is gradually changing and seems further deflected by the preponderance of land around the North Pole as depicted on End-plate R.

DEFLECTION of the PYRAMID'S SLOPE indicates CHANGING LATITUDE, tends to explain why older pyramids became defective, and an adjusting series was built.



MID-NORTH-TO-SOUTH-SECTION of the GREAT PYRAMID, showing the Sun's wide-spreadrays completely consuming all shadows, at noon on the Ancient Equinoctial Day.

The later inset Sun is represented as casting a divergent beam down the North Slope to contrast the

defective, and an adjusting series was built.

present increased Altitude of the Sun when Day and Night are equal.

That divergence now appears to evidence changing Latitude and account for that Defection of the Pyramid's Slope from the Equinoctial Sun, which prevented so many intervening generations of averings from understanding the highly practical and beneficial purposes for which the able and worthy Pyramid-builders designed and tolled—primarily to Calendar Days and Seasons to grow more food, also to locate the points of the compass, hours of Time, and like astronomical and practical every-day knowledge, upon which our civilization has been securely built.

As that Defection of the Pyramid's Slope seems to disclose the first and most reliable index-measure of the Earth's greatest movement now changing the climates and vitalities of leading Nations, it seems my duty to here insert plates (a), (b) and (c) to enable scientific readers to realize how that Defection of the Slope may have been caused—especially as the Astronomical Evidences in Egypt point conclusively to the fact that the Equinoctial Apex-pointing-slope them pointed to that most central point (ist point of Aries) in Astronomy, as the pivotal equal-dividing undicator for Nature's Year, during the Pyramid Ere.



Plate (a). The black areas upon the above chart of Glacier Bay, Alaska, show the areas which, though covered by Glacial ice of very great thickness when the Alaska Boundary Commission surveyed around Glacier Bay during the years mid-dating 1890, were found to be bare of ice in the year 1907, having melted back at the wonderful rate of about half-a-mile per year, releasing about 2,034 acres per year from

Olacial ice. Both the "Muir" and the "Grand Pacifie" glaciers receded at the rate of about eight-and-a-half miles during those seventeen years.

Other glaciers varied slightly where mountains shielded the ice from direct rays of the Sun.

The dotted lines marking the old positions of the edge of the ice as recorded in the years 1794, 1818 and 1882, demonstrate the long retreet of these glaciers, evidencing changing climats, by continuous melting back.

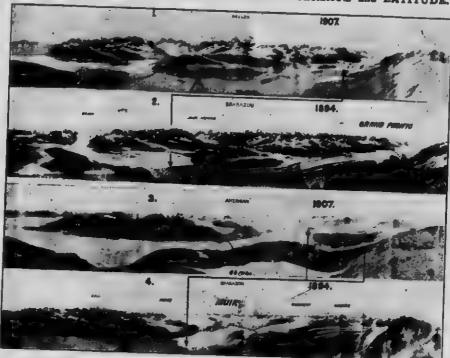


Plate (b). Photographic proof of the recession of the Grand Pacific and Muir glaciers between 1894 and 1807. These photos, ranging about 20 miles long, were taken by both the United States and Canadian surveyors independently. They establish the fact that their combines ice-fronts, then about 1,000 feet thick,

have melted back, uncovering about 2,000 acres per year. The enormous weight of ice thus yearly moved seems about a thousand times greater, as the whole Alaskan Ice-cap is being thinned down by evaporation. The lower berging edge of the Muir Glacier was about 400 feet above the water and much more below.



Plate (c). Map of the Glaciated Areas in North America and Europe, from Professor Geo. F. Wright's book. Man and the Glacial Period," amplified to show progression of the Pole.

The large square cross I have inserted to the East of the present position of the North Pole approximately locates where the Pole was about 5,000 years ago, as indicated by the Slope of the Great Pyramid in Egypt, which appears to have been deflected from the Ancient Equinoctial Angle by the World's lopsided stupendous weight of 500,000 square miles of Polar ice about 9,000 feet thick, now in Greenland.

very slowly gravitating the Earth's crust around its dense centrifugally-balanced core. That erratically changed the Letitudes and Climates of the World during Geological Ages, as the much older Polar-ice-sheet formerly covering Northwest America slowly melted down, being moved by evaporation and air currents towards Greenland, as explained on pages 216 to 251 of my "Rational Almanak." The thick heart-shaped curve I added, traces backwards from the Pole the apparent course of Polar progression, as indicated 23½ degrees North of the arrow-indicated edges of the older moving Polar-ice-sheets' southern moraines.

Further proofs may be found in my pamphlet, "The Glacial Cause of Changing Climates"

Almanak-makers of Sarawak Locating Seasons by Shadows on the Meridian

We have evidence of this change in the careful observations of Eratosthenes, who about 276 B. C. recorded the fact that Syene (now Assouan) was directly under the Tropic of Cancer. It now appears to be some miles from that tropic (see Encyclopaedia Britannica, Vol. 2, Page 748).

The pyramid's fixed slope is the best possible permanent register of ancient astronomical evidence of that changing latitude by which our beneficent Creator rests and renews the varying zones of climate all

over the earth.

Geologists in every nation are yearly finding such increasing proofs of that ever varying change, that will soon convince leading scientists of its reality, as indicated in my paper read before the British Association on "The Continuous Glacial Period."

11. These causes indicated on Plate "R" affected the relative slope of the pyramid to the noonday angle of the sun at the equinox. For example, when the so-called Second Pyramid was built, this angle was 52 de-grees 20 minutes. Other older pyramids were deflected still more. These causes have deflected the shadows from the fixed slope of the Great Pyramid, so that the shortest noon shadow registering on March 21 about 5,000 years ago now falls early in March. That deflection has until recently prevented the re-discovery of the great and noble purposes for which the pyramids of Egypt were built.



Plate J. Almanak-makers of Sarawak. These

men are measuring the varying shadow thrown by the pole shown in the photograph. They make a business of supplying information which make a outsiness or supplying information which we find in our modern calendars ready-made, as it were. This pole is used as a gnomon, and left fixed in the ground. The "Clog" the man is holding he will take away because cut upon it are secret notch measured lengths of noon-shadows for certain seasons. At those notch shadows for certain seasons. At those notes lengths pegs are driven and left in the ground so that farmers may see, by the lengths of the passing noon-shadows, when to till their land, sow, etc. The photo was taken by Dr. Hose. The men are ascertaining the approximate dates

The men are accertaining the approximate canes most profitable for sowing rice and maize.

This method is still used in Africa and remote parts of the world. End-Plate M proves that it was used in Egypt and England during the 18th Century. The "Traveller's Staff" known as "Aaron's Rod" was thus used in conjunction with Calendara which had the daily lengths of with Calendars which had the daily lengths of shadows printed, as on Plate III of End-plate "M." The Meridian "Clog" thus naturally developed into the "Clog Almanak."

12. Plate 5 shows the calendar-makers of Sarawak at work and typically illustrates the methods by which our ancestors developed their systems of daily and yearly time during thousands of years. This method was perfected by the stupendous labors of the Egyptians in building the pyramids 60 times higher to calendar all days by 60 times longer shadows.

This 8-ft. pole is only a crude guide to within 2 weeks of any date. Owing to their unexcelled knowledge of the true location of the seasons, the Egyptians prospered above all other races of antiquity. They had learned the secret of when to sow each kind of seed and multiply their crops. Thence-forward there was always "corn in Egypt."

The most useful dates for sowing differ-

ent seeds, mating various livestock on farms, holding festivals, etc., were very gradually tabulated by the Priests as the sacred "Mystic Tablets," which were cautiously extended to the double paged (Diptych) Tablets—as similarly used by early Christians during the 1st Century .-Those were later extended to the 3 paged "triptychs" having an inner leaf for fuller records of Agricultural and Festival Dates, until the 4 sided "Clog Almanaks" were developed, recording the 4 seasons as Quarters of the year, carved upon their respective sides of the "Clog," as shown on the later Clog Almanak page. Some of the "Literati" later expanded

such records, into book-form "calendars."

Meantime the nomadic and semi-settled communities of Northern Europe, Asia and America, continued to use the crude stickcounts, notched-sticks and Druidical Calendars, as they attained by various stages to more practical knowledge concerning uses of Seasons of the year, the Egyptians used best.

Solution of Star Astronomy Discovered by Pyramid Astronomers

13. After compiling reliable calendars by means of shadow astronomy, the pyramid-builders found they possessed the key to a more accurate system of time measurement, namely, star astronomy. noted the regular cycles of the stars which passed nightly across the apex of the pyramid, tracing an imaginary semi-circle on the background of the night sky over Egypt. Following up this observation, in conjunction with the calendar they had already constructed, they recorded the course of what is now known as the Path of the Ecliptic (so-called because the eclipses of the moon appear in that Equatorial Zone.) The priests marked out the great circle of the Ecliptic by means of twelve constellations or prominent groups of stars about thirty degrees apart, making up the full 360 degrees of the circle. That is depicted on Front-Plate "A," where the proposed new-month "Sol" has been inserted.

Front-Plate A indicates how the North Slope of the Pyramid coincided with the "Angle of the Ecliptic," so that at Equinoctial noons the Apex of the Pyramid pointed direct to the centre of the Sun, when the 1st point of Aries "The Ram" marked "Equal day and night" on the Pyramids' "Year-day" in March.

During the next twelve months the con-

stant slope of the Pyramid by its apex pointed nightly during each month successively to these 12 Zodical locating stars:

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Those 360° measures of the year have ever since been conceded and adopted as the best practicable basis for astronomical efforts directed to locate and calendar dates throughout all years, as the globe plate on the next page indicates.

How completely the North Slope and Apex of the pyramid were shaped to planeoff clearly and for every season permanently locate the meridian transits of the Zodiacal Stars, may be seen by the preceding pyramid illustrations, and End-plates and "U," which (so far as space admits) explain how the Egyptian Zodiacal Calendar was derived and subdivided into equal months of 30 days, tri-parted into 3 decads or weeks of 10 days each denoted by the crescent arcs, measuring 10 degrees each, grouped into months denoted by Zodiscal signs, as reproduced on Fore-plate B.

That method of registering stars passing high erections is confirmed by the next illustration, showing the extension of Egyptian astronomy to register the hourly transits of stars over a figure like the Sphinx, which was also probably used in that way, by later cults of Sphinx priests observing from the excavations below the Sphinx breast after the Pyramid shadow method became as obsolete as we now naturally regard the old Sundials used by our grandfathers.

EARLY STUDY of the STARS as a GUIDE to the YEAR.

The systematic study of Star movements would only become practicable after the study of the Sun and Moon's motions were fairly advanced and the N. S. E. and W. fixed directions of observations were settled by pyramid research.

After that, no doubt, the more easily traced observations then seen to be obtainable by the Stars would give greater prominence to astronomy of the Stars, which would thus gradually supersede or lead to be forgetten most of the old Snn and Moon experiments to the old Snn and Moon experiments. formerly derived through the pyramid.

Accordingly, we find interest in the pyramids waned, and, during later Dynasties, lists of starz such as the following appear recorded in the temples and tembs :-



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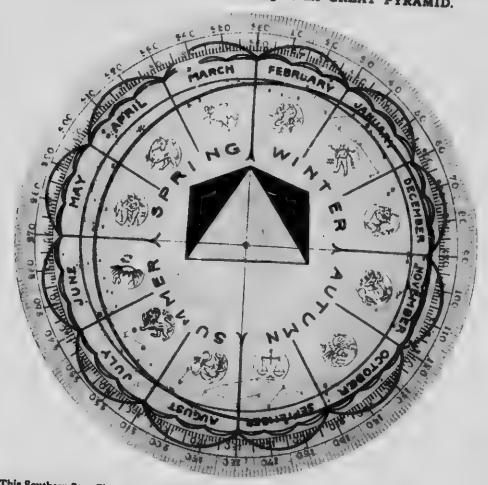
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After officen days, on the 1st of Athyr, the have moved one point and recur 1 hour earlier, as proved by charts, maps, etc., on pages 28 to 84.

The above reproduction of the ancient Egyptian diagram of the Stars with descriptive hieroglyphics, indicates most positively that the early Egyptian system of studying the Stare was by noting their hourly positions above and around some huge figure like the Sphinx, so that the varying positions "over eye, heart, ellow, etc.," could be intelligently recorded for different times, and arguments discussed, as well as theories framed therefrom.

The CALENDAR'S BASIS - The "ZODIACAL CLOCK in the SKY" as finally evolved by star-recording at the GREAT PYRAMID.



This Southern Star-Clock's Face REVOLVES "clock-wise" as depicted on Fore-plates A and B. The Pyramid's North Slope and Apex FIX its South-Sky-Meridian, across which those stars circle completely round, and "overlap 1 day-cog" more each 24 hours in the 365 days' year.



MID-WINTER DEFLECTION of the GREAT PYRAMID—FROM the SUN at NOON on DEC. 22nd



MID-SUMMER INCLINATION of the GREAT PYRAMID—TO the Both globes were photographed with camera levelled to the Equinox, to show both tilts true.

PYRAMID OBSERVATIONS DEVELOPED STAR ASTRONOMY

The large diagram is derived by photographing a model of the Great Pyramid through a transparent protractor laid on the plane of the erect Pyramid's Northern Slope, which, when used to Astronomically cut off the under part of the night-skydome, when viewed from the Pyramid's Observatory Entrance (indicated by the hole where the quadrant-lines intersect), registered the Plane of the Ecliptic at the Equinoxes when the Sun crossed the Equator, as per End-plates "T" and "U."

The protractor, sub-divided into 360° on a outer circles, represents the Equinoctial Plane of the Ecliptic when the upper semi-circle of Zodiacal Stars appear to nightly circle across the sky adjoining the Celestial Equator (represented by the inner-circle) followed, unobserved during daylight, by the lower half completing that cycle as the Earth rotates each 24 hours. But as the Earth also progresses daily over 2-365th of its orbit around the Sun, that causes each of those stars to cross the Meridian Apex

each of those stars to cross the Meridian Apex e minutes earlier each 24 hours, so that the whole 560" circle of stars daily moves forward one day's cog, which is almost exactly one degree, as marked on the Outer-circle. Thus Egyptian Observers in 10 days measured 1 of Egyptan Observers in 10 days measured 1 of their 3 decads, shown by the triple creecents below each month's combining arc of 30° (days). They are measured backwards on the middle circle, within which, in this case only, names of the months are recorded one month backward on illustrate the rateolism College. backward, to illustrate the retarding Calendar defect that resulted in diminished crops when defect that resulted in diminished crops when the 15th lunar month was intercalated before Pyramid Observers had by their shadow-records located the true length of the Year, and when the Calendar was tampered with prior to Julius Caesar's Reform and during "Joseph's 7 years of Famine." Then March could be held back till the warmer April weather, causing late sowing, delaying and diminishing production throughout later months, except when the actute throughout later months, except when the astute priests proclaimed the requisite adjustments for each Season as the Chinese do by their elaborately printed Agricultural Calendars.

The Zodiacal Stars are indicated and

The Zodiacal Stars are indicated and grouped by connecting lines between the Signs of the Zodiac and those crescent area. The coglike, buiged circle intersecting those Constellations tike, buiged circle intersecting those Constellations has 365 day-cogs along that Yearly circuit register of daily progressions amidst those Fixed Stars, known as the Path of the Ecliptic, because opposite each night's observation-sky-point (pointed to by the Pyramid's Apex) the midday Sun's position was located as it registered the daily position of the Earth on its yearly the daily position of the Earth on its yearly circuit around the Sun, as this rotating world in 165 day-stages causes that over-lapping 366th cycle of the Zodical Stars which so myscified Ancient observers—but which is now astronomically used by all Modern Nations as the basis of their Calendars to daily tally the

progress of days throughout each year.

That circuit is shown as the oblique circle on Standard High-school Gloles, and ranges between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, registering throughout the 365 day year the respective daily zenith locations of the Sun where it crosses that "Path" at that locality's noon, according to "Standard Time," measured along the Earth's horizontal Equator by the Meridian scale 25° apart per hour.

Upon one of those Standard Globes I have affixed a model of the Great Pyramid near Cairo, as next illustrated, to show, 2st, its relative angle of inclination to the Sun at Noon in Mid-Winter (December 22nd), when the

floor-meridian shadow is longest, and 2nd, the opposite extreme on Mid-summer-day (June 21st), when the Noon-sun most overlooks the

Northern slope of the Pyramid as it does during the 6 Summer Months between March and Sept.

the 6 Summer Months between March and Sept. Below, in order to show that extreme range of length in day and night which was only experienced in part by the great Nations of Antiquity, I have with cordial acknowledgements to the proprietors of the "Illustrated London News" for 13th January, 1914, and to Mr. Scriven Bolton, reproduced his graphic exects of "The Mid-night Sun," showing the Arctic Circle during its 24 hours of daylight at Mid-summer, whilst the Antarctic is enduring 24 hours of darkness,



"THE MID-NIGHT SUN," as the VIIIth sketch of the "Wonders of the Heavens," by Scriven Bolton, Esq., F.R.A.S.

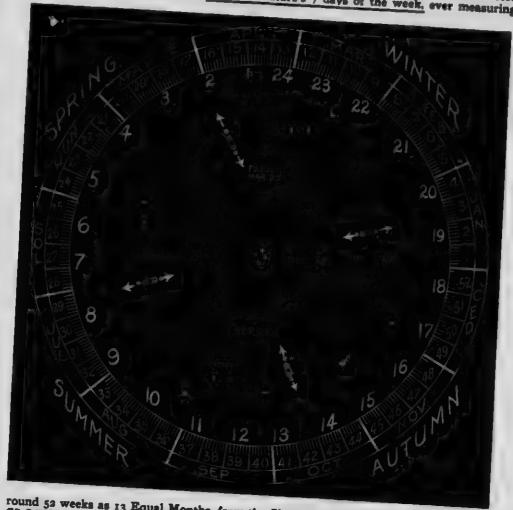
The 366 degrees "Zodiacal Clock in the Sky." with the 15 Calendar-days range of hour-change recorded below the List of Sters on page 27, indicate how Egyptians measured equal 30-day-months geometrically, by dividing the pyramid-shadow-located Equinocital Day and Night into 24 hours 15 degrees apart arched across the sky by the Sun as 12 hours shadow-registered by Day, followed by the Night's semi-circle of 12 hours timed by "water-clocks" holed to drip 360 drops as "seconds" per hour, to hourly measure the sky-space between Stars passing the summit of that Arch, which the Pyramid's high Meridian Apex enabled the Prisets to trace and complete the most divisible Greet 360-degrees Circle basis of Astronomy by the Thence they established the very useful fact that

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Thence they established the very useful fact that those Stars (not the brighter Planets) re-appear in rotation acrose the Meridian 4 minutes earlier per neight, pre-timing one hour in 15 days, thus mearly completing the yearly circuit in 360 days, divided into 12 months, easily tallied as 30 days in 3 decades of 18 days each, depicted as 36 sky-arc-floats on Fereblate B.

The closing 5 days and fraction of the Astronomical Year's length could be registered by the Priests using secret shadow-rods as per pages 17 and 19 until their system of Star Astronomy was reliably established as superior.

The "POINTER-STARS" nightly TICKING leftwards ROUND the POLE-STAR. The "7 Stars of the Plough" indicate Nature's 7 days of the week, ever measuring



round 52 weeks as 13 Equal Months, from the Shortest-day. Nature's "CALENDAR-CLOCK in the POLAR SKY" thus ticks off 365 Days in the "Yearal," for all Nations.

This Polar-Sky-Clock's astronomically dated RIM This Polar-Sky-Clock's astronomically dated RIM remains FIXED by the Meridian and Compass points. But the Plough's 2 IN-and-OUT-ARROWED POINTERS, leading Nature's 7-day-week Starindicators as Compass-pointers dividing Nature's Year into 52 weeks, plus 2 day, CIRCLE as inversely arrowed around, outwardly timing each night and indicating each day's numerical position left-wise around the year, as diagrammed to demonstrate the natural basis and simple equality of the proposed "Yearal" of 23 equal months, wherein the proposed new month "Sol" is inserted to the left. The ancient constructors of Almanaks and Calen-

The ancient constructors of Almanaks and Calendars in latitudes north of the 40th Parallel had to Plough," as depicted within the Inner Circle for the "4 Quarter-days of the Year" on the 4 Swastika-lines of the square-set Pre-Christian-Calendar-

Cross, which apparently was adopted by 8t. George and thence has become perpetuated as the prime feature of the British, Danish, Greek, Swiss and other national Flags.

Between each of those 4 Quarter-day-star-denoted points (which accorded so significantly with the year's Shortest and Longest days evidenced at the Solstices and its a days of Equal Day and Night on Mar. 22 and Sep. 22), intermediate generations of Northern-Calendar-Recording-Priests probably tal-Northern-Calendar-Recording-Friests probably tailied 90 days as 3 months by 3 such simple tallies as the 30 sticks per month depicted on page 6—separately locating those 4 Quarter-year dividing dates as the Quarterly Festivals fundamentally necessary to assemble the leaders of Tribes and Communities to direct the manyly affairs of public life. Those a deces direct the yearly affairs of public life. Those 4 dates with the 5th as an extra-Yule-tide-day for New Year's Day on our Dec. 23, would complete the year.

That Sky-Season-Chart shows the progressive positions of "The Plough," the "Pole-Star" and the "2 Guardians of the Pole" on the following typical dates when located where the figures chart their diagram numbers when at MIDNIGHT 11 p.m. 10 p.m. 9 p.m. 8 p.m.

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N.B. - These average 15 days per hour of difference, like the Egyptian Stars on page 27.

of the 10 most conspicuous Calendar-denoting Polar Stars—Uras Major's "7 Stars of the Plough," with its "Double-Pointers" in front, and the 1 prominent its "Double-Pointers" in front, and the 1 prominent Stars of Ursa Minor which are denoted on the next Star Map for Spring, within the "Little Bear" swinging by its tail-tip tethered to the Pole and Meridian by its Pole-Star, linked downwards to its a leading Shoulder-Stars—known as the "Twin Guardians of the Pole"—cycling parallel to the 5th and 5th Stars of "the Plough."

The 4 Mid-night locations reporting the senance.

The 4 Mid-night locations separating the seasons are shown quartering the circles at the N., W., S. and E. points, on the above-recorded Quarter-Days, with the 4 earlier hours appended for later dates.

From those dates we may observe that there is an average datal difference of 25 days between the hourly times at which these twin-groups, containing nourly times at which these twin-groups, containing to circum-polar Stars, pass their respective Season-locating positions—charted for Mid-night as the standard time for recording observations of the Stars which, through the World's daily rotation, circle round in the 24 hours, indicated by the hour numbers within the smaller circle.

Beyond that, each daily progressive step of the Earth's season-producing motion along its orbit around the Sun is recorded by the out-rising cogs which successively register the relative Calendar positions of each passing day of every year, as "out-pointed" by the 2 pointer-stars (which also conversely point inwards to the Pole-Star as the center of this sky-clock's face) as the Pole-Star as the cone-day-degree" around, arriving they daily turn around, arriving at the previous night's point 4 minutes earlier, thus timing those stars as recurring one hour earlier in about 15 days.

Every Mid-night that "arrowed-pair of pointers" leading the 7 Stars of Ursa Major (indicating the 7 days of the week as the world-wide Calendar-measure for weeks) ticks off the expiring day from Nature's Calendar, as surely as the Mid-day-Sun similarly ticks off the passing day each Noon, when crossing the Meridian, as shown in the Pyramid section, on the world-surrounding Zodiacal Star Clock's face which cogs inversely around when watched as its stars cross the Southern shy movidian watched as its stars cross the Southern sky meridian.

The unity of motion in both these Northern and Southern Star Clocks will become more evident if the reader inspects the next 4 maps of the Starpositions for the 4 Seasons, with the "Table of Times for Observations," and imagines the Polescaped as the content of the starposition of the Star located as the center-point beneath an open transparent umbrella-shaped dome having 24 ribs representing hours, 25° apart, all converging to the Pole-Star, and spun completely around contrary to the clock each 24 hours to I degree measured by the space moved by the nearest transit star passing beyond the meridian, during the last 4 minutes preceding the nightly hour for that Calendar-recording Observation.

More precise and interesting observations can now be made by observers having-either a large transparent protractor definitely fixed like the above—or properly graduated observatory vireling instruments to register each of the 365 nightly 4-minute-space-moves forward of "the Plough's double pointers," which ever point out the days around that complete year indicating "Polar-Clock-

The following 4 Seasonal Maps of the Fixed Stars are mostly reproduced from Mr. Asa Smith's New York and Boston "Illustrated Astronomical Charts," to which I have added distinctive outlines and appended remodelled Time-tables. They display the Sidereal Hemisphere visible along the New York Parallel of Latitude 4s degrees North. New York Parallel of Latitude 41 degrees North, which aimost centrally exhibits the main features of the Sky-dome, as it appears to the vast majority of humanity almost equally distributed to the North and South of that Parailel around the Earth.

Before briefly noting some distinctive Seasonal differences in the Calendar-denoting aspects of those 4 compressed Maps of the Sky-dome, it is advisable that non-astronomical readers should understand that those reduced Dome-maps have to be used inverted above the head into life the to be used inverted above the head, just like the starry sky, because they represent the whole visible heavens in every direction.

Although a local view in one direction of the heavens, such as the Polar-Sky-Clock-Map, may rightly be used as an Atlas Map, reading North to the top and East to the right—these Sidereal Maps of the whole visible heavens representing all directions have to be viewed like the stars on a planisphere-from below.

As the Pyramid-developed Astronomy based on South Observations of Zodiacal Stars crossing the Meridian from East to West, show about 3 times the North transit-space traversed by the a "Pointers of the Plough" during the nightly 4 minutes both are over-lapping their respective daily sky-units of Calendar progress around their respective year circles of 30 degrees and 90 degrees radii, the Southern Stars are now almost entirely used for Calendar recording purposes. Consequently these 4 Star-Maps are printed for direct observation Southwards, by simply facing South, with the map applicable to the current season raised overhead so that its South meridian dips Southwards to indicate the then mid-direction of the horizon-wide belt of Zodiacal Stars.

To locate stars North of the Zenith, at the Tabled-nightly time, turn the map overhead, bettem upwards, so that the Pole-Star on the map may coincide, as closely as possible, with the direction of the Pole-Star in the sky; then the Stars on the map will indicate the direction of the circumpolar Stars

To indica: East Stars, turn East, with the inverted map's top directed North.

To identify West Stars, turn West, with the inverted map's top kept North.

In all observations guard against mistaking the Planets (especially Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn) for Fixed Stars, and remember that on these 4 inverted maps the East is on the left, and West is on the right.

As mid-night observations are too late for most people, these 4 maps are timed for 10.0 p.m. on their respective 4 Quarter-days of Nature's Year-Mch. 22, June 21, Sept. 23 and Dec. 22.

SEASONAL MAPS of STARS in the CELESTIAL SPHERE mostly visible across Europe, North America, Central Asis and North Africa the Vertical-line through the Pole-Star and Zenith is the local Celestial Meridian dividing each Map into East and West halves.—The part-circle crossing the Meridian at right-angles mid-way between the Zenith and the South Horizon is the Celestial Equator.—The longer segment of the circle cutting the

Meridian and Equator obliquely, records the Sun's path along the Ecliptic, and is marked off in daily notches, as each nightly cog thereof passed the Apex of the Great Pyramid 4 minutes before the 24th hour of observation, during the Evolution of Star Calendars by Pyramid Priests about 4,000 years ago. That year-traversing Ecliptic curve double-crossing-the-Equator led early Chinese to select the double-curve-bisected-circle as their Emblem for Eternal Life.







On the Star-Map for SPRING ONLY, the Constellations of Ursa Major and Ursa Minor—known also as the Great Bear and Little Bear—are on the Summer, Autumn and Winter Maps to contrast the different locations of their circumpolar course, as they have been most widely used by the Almanak. Makers of Primitive Races who had not evolved the higher method of pyramid observations which won such superior agricultural and other advantages for the early Civilizations in Egypt, Assyria, India, China and Mexico. The brighter stars of 1st magnitude locating the dominant Constellations, developed by later pyramid observations, are more boldly encircled, on the maps, and listed at the foot of the next page, whereon the Map-times for each night are shown.

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EGYPTIAN OBELISK at KARNAK, showing its long, fine-pointed APEX



HINDOO OBSERVATORY at JEYPORE (India), showing the huge Equatorial SUNDIAL (on the right) and the 3-tier circular observatory (on the left), which may have been used to trace the apparent progressions of the "Fixed Stars" at the season-dividing W., E. and S. points, as indicated by End-plates "N," "proposed in the significantly combine and reduce to a smaller scale, the advantages of the pyramid's elope (replaced by the great "style" up the middle of which the steps ascend) with the Obelisk's effect derived by the shadows cast from the surmounted stud or "sighting-pin" above the steps down to the floor beyond the vertical wall.



ROMAN OBELISK showing its crude APEX and inferior workmanship, as although the Romans copied from the Egyptians they lacked the finished and thorough workmanship so characteristic of Egyptian obelisk sculptors. The 105-ft. obelisk (largest erected) in front of St.

Peter's at Rome was sculptured in Egypt. Similarly the imitation Calendar which has been imposed upon us by Julius Casear, having imperfectly copied from the symmetrical Calendar of the Egyptians, was correspondingly deteriorated by scattering the Egyptian 5 terminal days as the odd fret days beyond the always equal Egyptian months of 50 days. That defect was apparently caused by the desire to withhold from the proud Roman people the fact that their Caesar was copying from the conquered Egyptians, who wisely used equal months.



The PERSIAN "DRUIDICAL MONOLITHS" are shown to the right and left of the inset of are shown to the right and left of the inset of the British "Stone-henge," to demonstrate their great size. They were used like the "Amplitude Observatories" already explained for Plates "E," "p" and "K Persians used equal months. The Season-dividing Locations of the 3 Polar-diameter-joined Groups of Stars (The Plough, Little Dipper and Cassiopea) compared at Sunset, Midnight and Sunrise, as they circle around the Pole-star from North to West, thence South to East, Quartering that Sky-clock's face squarely on "Quarter-Days."

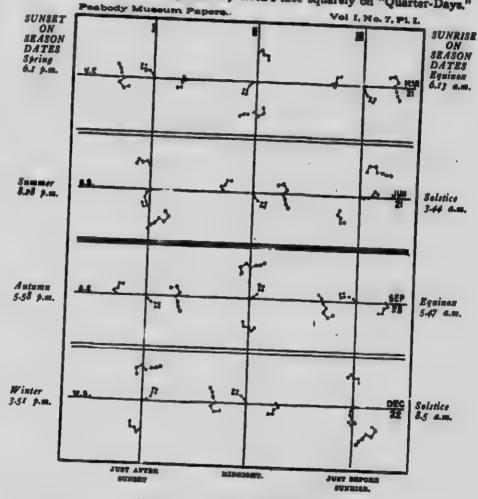


CHART OF THE POLAR COMPTRILATIONS

(The above Chart and the A, B and C star-diagrams opposite are from Mrs. Zelia Nuttall's "Fundamental Principles of Civilization, 1901"; Harvard University, U.S.A.)

This Chart of the preminent North Polar Stars shows the 7 Stars of the Plough in Ursa Major, the inswinging 7 Stars of the Dipper in Ursa Minor, and the less known W-like group of 5 stars in Cassiopea (The Lady in Her Chair)—as shown on the "Spring" Star-Map for the convenient hour of 20.0 p.m. on the 4 Season-dividing nights.

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Thus conjoined as a fixed circumpolar diameter, they daily turn together like a rigid 24-hours-clock's-face-wide-pointer timed to gain 4 minutes to each mid-night, thus gaining in the 92 days per Quarter Year, the 6 hour spaces which approximate the beginning of the 4 Seasons, at right-angles on the great Polar-Clock in the Sky," as later illustrations prove.

This chart demonstrates the superiority of midnight observations, which develop square across the 4 Polar-right-angles successively at the commencement of each of the 4 Seasons at

the Vernal Equinox, Summer Selstice, Autumnal Equinox, and Winter Solstice, on Mar. 22, June Equinox, and Winter Solstice, on Mar. 21, June 22, Sep. 23 and Dec. 23 respectively:—whereas the Sunset and Sunrise alignments do not square truly, and their observation is uncertain because atmospheric conditions are then liable to be obscured by mists, fogs, etc., and always extected to irregular diagrams through morning and evening times for observation varying with the lengths of days, as side-lined above.

The "A" and "B" groupings of the 7 Stars of the Flough diagrammed together for all the 4 Seasons, indicate the origin of the Swastika Emblem—almost universally used by the Ancient Nations of the Northern Hemisphere.

The lower "C" set of three-rayed groupings for Sunset, Midnight and Sunrise diagrams at each Seasons, indicate the origin of the Swastika "Triskelion" as the natural sign for nature's star locations at her year's-end on Dec. 22nd.

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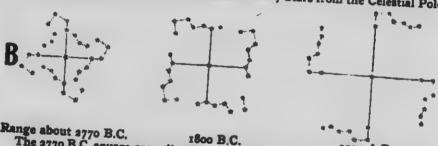
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PROBABLE CALENDAR ORIGIN of the SWASTIKA EMBLEM The 7 Stars of "the Plough" con-joined for the 4 Season-dividing-dates, at Mid-night through the "Pointers" as radii from the central "Pole-Star."



The most reliable position is observed at Midnight, because on those 4 Quarter-days of Nature's Year, the 2 front-stars as "Pointers" now constantly pointing to the Pole-star as the center of their progressive Calendar-recording-circuit, then squarely register those Quarter-year-points at right angles to each other across their Polar Center—as their year-typifying emblem "the Swastika" consequently does.

Before dawn and after dusk, their visibility is varied by weather conditions, different Refractions, Seasons and Latitudes, but their diverse angles of deviation are caused most of all by the divergent times of Sunset and Sunrise observations (as side-lined opposite), deflecting the direction of those star-radii 15 degrees per hour. The expanding distances and cross-points of the 7 Stars from the Celestial Pole

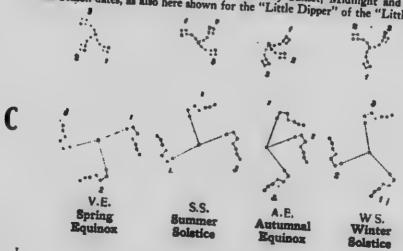


Range about 2770 B.C. 1800 B.C. 2000 A.D.

The 2770 B.C. square-cross-lines through the 3rd and 4th of the 7 Stars were not naturally suggestive as "Pointers," like the 1st and 2nd Stars now are.

These prove that Ancient Observers had far less chance to Calendar by these Stars, which then had not their direct Pointers at right-angles to guide observers to the 4 Season-points, then indistinct, because "the Pointers" did not indicate the Pole-star and circled around unceasingly, as a non-indicating-part of the broken chain of Septentriones (7-Polar-stars).

The Triskelion (3 legged emblem) was apparently derived from the conjoined "Plough's Pointers" during Sunset, Mid-night and Sunrise on Dec. 22. They prove that only the last tri-ray for the longest night of the year develops the 3 equal radiated pointers. The positions 1, 2 and 3 are located by Sunset, Midnight and Sunrise, on the Season-dates, as also here shown for the "Little Dipper" of the "Little Bear."



CHINESE CALENDAR was derived from the POLAR STARS



1. The "Triskelion" (3 legs of man) sign for the Mid-Winter end of the Year.

2. The Mexican "S" sign also emphasizes the natural year's end on Dec. 22nd, as manifested by its unmistakable resemblance to the 7 stars of the "Dipper" in Ursa Minor on the Winter Star Map.

That is significantly confirmed by the sculpture of that group, down the left-side of the Mexican Calendar Stone on page 40. It seems linked southwards by the chain of stars to those of First Magnitude around Orion, and thence through Canis Major to the Mexican southern horizon down the Meridian at mid-night, to locate which the Dec. 22nd 10.0 p.m. position on the Winter Star Map needs 2 hours (30 degrees) further progression eastwards to the meridian.

Below those the most observed Stars of the Plough are shown enlarged as the Aztecs sculptured them (where they had most space) in their Winter Solstice aspect—slightly tilted from the North towards the South-east—when Nature's Year ends with the stroke of Mid-night on Dec. 22nd.

3. The Hindu Jain Swastika so often linked with the Sun, Moon and Stars, has its ends turned out from its right-projecting arms to represent the rotation of the Plough's Stars like a windmill's sails set to catch the wind.

Their left-ward motion is indicated by the left-curve-tips representing the Midnight directions of the Plough's-out-curved-handle-stars, on the 4 Season-dividing-nights diagrammed on the "Chart of Polar Constellations," and shown for 2 hours before (at 10.0 p.m.) on the 4 Star Maps, where the left-curved-tail of the Ancient sign of the Great Bear on the Spring Star Map indicates the Calendar origin of both the Hindu Jain Swastika and the Buddhist Praying Wheel.

4. The "Normal Swastika" with its center cross representing the S., E., N. and W. locations of the Plough's 7 stars when each of the Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter seasons begin, has its ends turned to the right to denote the right projection of the 5 tailing stars of the Plough, from the 2 "Pointer Stars" leading that Constellation

on its Yearly Circuit, advancing 4 minutes per night as indicated by those 2 out-pointing Stars on the "Polar Clock in the Sky" where the 4 seasonal directions indicate that 7-Star origin of the Swastika in that most conspicuous group of Stars in the Northern Hemisphere.

5. The "Suavastika" with ends turned to the left—like the 7 Stars of the Little Dipper which always curve and tail-swing leftwards, hinging on the Polar Star—indicates its origin in that constellation of Ursa Minor, especially as that is most used in India and near the circuit of the Tropic of Cancer whence it is observed cycling above the horizon, whereas the 7 "Stars of the Plough" in Ursa Major disappear below the night-horizon during nearly half of the year.

The Chinese Months and Seasons were determined by the revolutions of the 7 Stars of the Plough, named 7 Directors, as indicated on the 4 Seasonal locations I have diagrammed on the "Polar Clock in the Sky," on page 30, thus:

When the Tail of the Plough as indicator on Mar. 22, points East, Spring begins, On Jun. 21, "North, Summer "On Sep. 22, "West, AUTUMN "On Dec. 22, "South, WINTER"

Special interest attaches to the fact that the earliest Chinese emblem for the Year was a stalk of wheat; indicating that the prime purpose of the Calendar was to increase the agricultural supplies of food—as the Aztecs most successfully did with maize.

In Ancient Times the 7 days of the Chinese week were derived from the 7 bright Stars of the Plough and as Herodotus records that the Egyptians had a week of 7 days, and we know that the Hindoos had anciently the same, there seems a probability that after Ancient Races began to tally the number of days in the year by noting the recurring yearly cycle of the 7 Stars of the Plough, they abandoned unequal Quarter-Moon counts for the 7 recurring days suggested by those 7 "Director Stars" most naturally used to divide the 365 days of the Polar-sky-clock's year into 52 equal weeks.

Ancient Mexican Circular-Swastika, indicating Star-motions Around the Pole-Star, 13 Years per Quarter Cycle, and 13 Weeks per Quarter Year.



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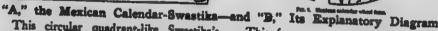
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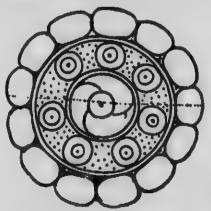
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This circular quadrant-like Swastika's evident design for Calendar use is particularly interesting, as it constitutes an absolute proof of native Mexican association of the Swastika symbol with ideas of rotary starmotion and the progress of time, indicating as Mrs. Nuttall well records that "the Swastika may have been primarily and generally employed by primitive races as a sign for a year or cycle."

I submit that this Circular-Swastika was used both as a yearly Calendar of 52 sacred 7 star-indicated and secretly recorded weeks of 7 days each, and their Aztec Era cycle of 52 years; both of which were quartered into the significant number of 13, which when multiplied by the 7 days suggested by those natural measurers of the year, "the 7 Stars of the Plough," recorded the 91 days in each Quarter of the year.

That seems indirectly corroborated by the



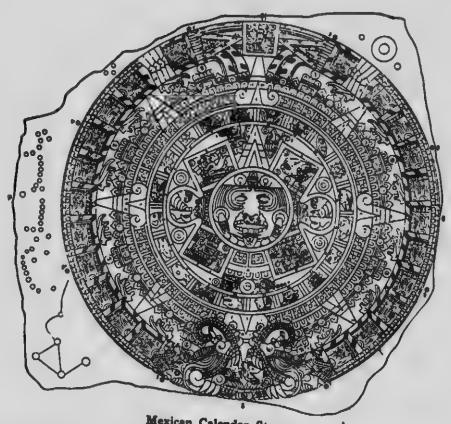
TENNESSEE (U.S.A.) GORGET

This from page 49 of Mrs. Nuttall's book has the cycling Sun in the center, surrounded by 7 disks for days per secret week, and the 13 outer weeks per Quarter Year (reasonably assumed to be indicated by the 13 diameter-joined stars as below). These may have led the priests to that mystic play on numbers, which established 7 plus 13 totalling 20 days in their months, so easily quartered by their 4 public weeks of 5 days each, in their always equal 20-day months.

The 13 uniform Mexican emblems for Rabbit, Arrow, Maize and House, distinctively registered in each Quadrant, were used in the order indicated by the arrows surrounding the central Sun on the Explanatory Diagram's expanding circles, in accordance with dots 1 to 13 on the original.

A remarkable feature of that circular Calendar Swastika is that, like the circumpolar Stars, its reading turns in reverse clock-motion.

Further, there seems good reason to believe that the peculiar shape of those Quadrants—each having 5 emblems to the right, I pivoted at the elbow, and 7 turned to the left, totalling 13; correspond to the 13 most prominent Circumpolar Stars as aligned together down the mid-night central diagrams on the "Chart of the Polar Constellations," where the 5 W-like Stars of Cassiopea, conjoined through the 1 Polestar to the 7 Stars of the Plough, are highly suggestive, especially as the 6 smaller Stars of the Minor "Dipper" seem to have been ignored through being out of the balanced range naturally suggested by comparing the Polar Distance of the 5 Stars of Cassiopea with the 7 Stars of the Plough, as may be readily understood from the 4 Star-Maps.

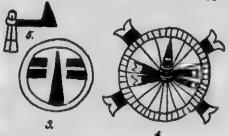


Mexican Calendar Stone

The Mid-way Ring shows 20 day signs for each of their 18 EQUAL MONTHS. Sun, Moon and Planets on the N.E. projection, and the typical constellations of "Fixed Stars" on the West side, evidence its use as a Calendar—further confirmed by the 8 parallel but not equi-distant shadow-rod-holes around its circumference to stretch the diagonal cords across to time Equinoxes and Solstices by their Meridian shadows. The Star-signs on the left are partly explained on page 38, and the Star-Map on page 33.



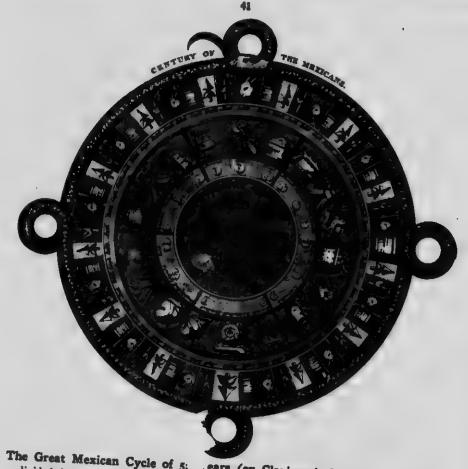
Mexican "PYRAMID OF THE SUN" (San de Teotihuacan) near Mexico City, where also is the smaller Pyramid of the Moon. The base-line of the Sun Pyramid is 645 feet, according to W. Bullock—from whose "6 Months' Residence in Mexico" the above is reproduced. This Pyramid was originally surmounted by an Apex-pointed Temple, indicating that early Mexicans had to trace the Sun's Seasonal Elevations by observing Pyramid Shadows as the early Egyptians did.



ANCIENT MEXICAN GNOMONS

That is evidenced in part by the above a typical styles of Gnomons and Dials used by the Azec Sun-Priests, to locate the Equinoxes and Solstices as the 4 essential dividing periods of Yearly Time between which their marvellously useful Calendar System was built up—vide page 127 of Mrs. Nuttall's "Principles of Civilization," published by Harvard University in 2901. No. 4 was the sacred symbol for the Festival at the Spring Equinox.





The Great Mexican Cycle of 5: .ears (ex Clavigero's History of Mexico) -divided into Quarters or "Indictions" of 13 years each, exemplified on page 3.

The year signs in the centre are surrounded by the 20 confusing Phases of the Moon they wisely discarded to establish EQUAL MONTHS of 20 days instead. Around those the signs for each of their 18 equal months of 20 days are shown.

The outer-ring, bounded by the serpent, displays the 4 Leap Year repeating year signs, used in conjunction with the series of 13 dots of Indiction, as per page 3, to distinctively denote each year of their Cycle of 52, read leftwards from the top.



THE GREAT MEXICAN PYRAMID AT CHOLULA

(From Planche's Vues des Gordilleres)

Date built, unknown (Pre-Aztec), sides 1,423 ft. long, height 177 ft., covers about 44 acres. The 365 steps up the 4 Season slopes to their observatory, indicate the great to trace the Seasonal courses of the fixed Stars. That seems evidenced by the facts that its base is about twice the length of the Great Pyramid of Egypt, but its height less than half, consequently Mexican observers derived a 20 days' star-gauge, as my dotted lines indicate. The Egyptians derived the 10 days' gauge as per Fore-plates A and B.

Mexican Calendars Derived from Pyramid and Star Observations

From the foregoing it is manifest that both the Ancient Egyptians and Mexicans used Pyramids to derive Calendars as the prime basis of their civilizations. The Egyptian Star List on page 27 is specially sig-nificant as the "Pye" pyramid sign mathe-maticians still use to express the ratio of a circle's diameter to its circumference was used to mark the hourly positions of the

14. We have not space now to further explain the reasons for the height and shape of the pyramids, both of which were the result of scientific observations on the part of the builders; s.g., if the Great Egyptian pyramid 484 feet high was replaced by a pole of the same height it would be useless for the purpose of observing the shadows, because the half-degree width of the Sun would cause its outer-edges to shine round the Pole, and so cut off the shadow hun-

dreds of feet above the ground.

The Mexican "Aztecs" (like the Chinese and other Ancient Nations) independently devised their unique Calendar System, by using truncated Pyramids.



PROOF THAT MEXICAN PYRAMIDS WERE USED TO LOCATE THE SEASONS BY TRACING THE SUN'S PATH OVER THE PYRAMED

PLATE 7.—The Mexican yearly cycle of eight-een months, of twenty days each, as reproduced above, registers their sixteenth month as begin-ning about December 16. Its name of "Reabove, registers their sixteenth month as beginning about December 16. Its name of "Retreating Sun" signifies mid-winter and the emblem for that month is significantly shown in the sixteenth position as a pyramid surmounted by the double-curved sun, representing its rising in the east and its setting in the west. Note the significance of the "Step-Pyramid," also the sun daily coging the moon and year Note the significance of the Step-systemic, also the sun daily cogging the moon and year around, as evidenced by the Sun, Moon and Earth circles surmounted by the 18 equal months in the years Mexicans thus derived.

Each year was divided into 18 months consisting of 20 days each, quartered into weeks of 5 days each—the most conveniently combined weekly and monthly system known. That they had engraved on their middle circle of their Calendar Stone.



MEXICAN CALENDAR STONE (Weighed about 50 tons as originally quarried.)

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PLATE 8.—Their yearly cycle of 565 days sculptured around as 18×20=360—plus the 5 days of Festival ending the year.

Study of the almanak methods devised by different races throughout the world demonstrates that whilst all were inexorably compelled by Nature to locate their seasons by observing the apparent movement of the sun, each race had inevitably during its earlier, generations to devise its own method. Most of the tropical and near-tropical races had to adopt the shadow method shown in Plate 5. The best knowledge of the year was too valuable for one race to tell to its competitors, hence the writer, after noting the direct observation indications of the truncated pyramids of Mexico, submits that it is futile for speculative theoriets to urge that the Mexicans derived their methods from the Egyptians, when they evidently found it by direct observation themselves, as their unique calendar stone and records on preceding pages indicate. Apparently they, like the Egyptians, had two cults of priests who respectively calendared by observing the Sun and the Stars.

British "Clog Almanaks" Used Most About 1,000 Years Ago, Showing the Dot-counts then used by Europeans, like Mexican Dot-counts on Page 3.



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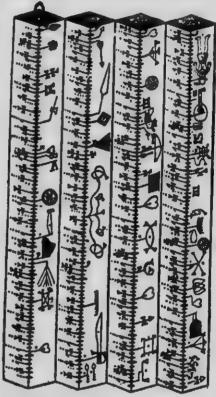
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PLATE "6a," Photo-gravure of ANCIENT BRITISH "CLOG ALMANAK" usually carved on its 4 sides, about 18 inches long and 1 inch square at the ends; 25 deep cuts for Sundays began 15 weeks in each Quarter of the Almanak.



BEAGRAM OF ANCIENT BRITISH CLOG ALMANAE

gan 13 weeks in each Quarter of the Almanak.

PLATE 6 represents a "clog" or wood almanak, the original of which is preserved in the British Museum. The notches cut on the edges of this fixed-year log represent the sequential order of week days as they happen to have recurred during 1922. It registers fifty-three Sundays, including the first and last days of that typical year. The original is like nearly all others—a square stick with four long edges in which notches were cut to mark the days. Sundays were marked by deep notches. The same almanak was used for all years. In subsequent years, owing to the change of the day-names, Sunday was read as one or more notches from that registered in the fixed almanak as Sunday. For example, the permanent almanak shown in the illustration happens to exactly suit 1922, which began on a Sunday. In the year 1912 the "deep-cuts" would be read as Mondays, and so on down to "Leap day," February 29, after which they were read as Tuesdays, so two notches above the deep cuts were read as Sundays, because the axtra day was then added to February. The four edges detailed the days for each of the four quarters. The hooks for 5, X for 10, and dots for units, on the left of each edge, indicated the golden-numbers of the Metonic Cycle for the yearly phases of the moon. The emblems on the right of the edge were hieroglyphics for Festivals which the abbot or priest announced on Sundays to their congregations.

New-year's Day is marked by the monthly upcut "patulous." March x is marked by the harp of St. David and locates the Welsh festival. April 25, St. George's day, is marked by a lance. May-day is represented by a b; anch of May-blossom. Saint Peter's day has two keys. The inverted man signifies St. Edward's day, as he was crucified head downwards. Saint Crispin's day has two shoes, which mark the festival of the shoemaker's patron saint. There are many other signs that we have no space to explain here. The clog was suspended by the ring over the altar. The more secret "tithe" producing agricultural signs were usually recorded on closely guarded private clogs, as the priesta in the interests of their privileged class, discouraged such secular and easily understood signs as the "hay rake," shown on June 27, to locate hay harvest; the plough for ploughing time; the fiail for thrashing; the ram sign for returning rams to ewes, etc. Those, if made public, would have enabled men to keep in close enough touch with the seasonal times of the year without attending church to hear the pricest proclaim what should be done during the ensuing week. Obviously it was to the interest of the pricest that people should attend church to be helped by the teaching of Christian principles, and in return help the church by their contributions.

For detailed description see pages 27-30 and 306-308 of "The Rational Almanak."

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CLOQ (WOOD) ALMANAKE

15. The records of the early almanak-makers were in keeping with their necessarily crude methods of making observations. The "Clog" form most easily aided the ancient astronomers in maintaining the atmosphere of mystery with which they invested their "office." The Sarawak almanak-makers are shown marking the meridian progress of the shadow by means of pegs stuck into the ground, vide Plate 5. The distances between these pegs were being measured by sticks inscribed and notched with the sacred and secret markings of past generations of observers. Those records were treasured and handed down to successive generations of almanak-makers, who were urged to faithfully discharge that annual duty which ensured adequate food supplies and the prosperity of the whole tribe. For this service the farmers paid them in kind, making the payment in proportion with the success or otherwise of the crops. This mode of payment exists today, in an altered form, in the "tithes" which are collected by the Established Church in England from tenants of certain lands.

Plate 6 illustrates a "Clog" Almanak similar to other originals in the British Museum. There are rare examples of these ancient records in England, and they form an elaborate counterpart of the notched sticks used in Sarawak. How highly they are valued may be judged from the fact that the writer tried to buy one at an auction sale in 1905. The competing, and successful, purchaser represented a millionaire who had promised it as a present to his son on his twenty-first birthday. The writer was permitted to

have a model made from the original.

16. The gradual association of almanak-making with religion is shown by the fact that the clog almanaks compiled for various districts were hung beside the high altars in Monasteries, Abbeys and Cathedrals, during the "Middle Ages" of History.

Every Sunday throughout the year the officiating priest would read from the "Clog" to the congregation, including the farmers, the festivals and agricultural operations that were to be faithfully observed during the coming week in order to pro-mote the welfare of the community.

One cannot but admire the spirit which

moved the Church to associate the blessings of Nature with the weekly service at which the virtues of industry, good-fellow-ship, unselfishness and thankfulness were taught from the pulpit. In those simple communities, where the happiness of the whole depended upon the industry of every individual, there was a state of general happiness and well-being that is sadly lacking in the rushing selfishness of modern life in North America. Something approaching it is still to be found in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, riolland and Switzerland. It is not surprising, therefore, that every effort was made to keep the secrets that compelled the whole community to frequently meet together in common interest.

17. For this service to the community the church was paid tithes, or a tenth part of the produce of the cultivation of the soil. In olden days the tithes were paid in kind, so much wheat, barley, oats, etc., the tenth pig, the tenth calf. Naturally under this system there were many openings for bickering between the parson and the farmer.

O'The late Sir Richard Tangye, the famous Birmingham engineer, describes in his auto-biography a hand-to-hand struggle between the vicar and his mother over a pig that was claimed as tithes. The Tangyes were Quakers, and were therefore predisposed to question the right of the vicar to collect tithes from them. -Editor.)

Ultimately tithes were compounded into a form of money payments on a scale calculated by the market price of a quarter of wheat, barley, oats, etc., the previous year. The writer, before migrating to British Columbia, had the privilege of making the necessary calculations of these amounts for the Archbishopric of York.

Although the church no longer plays a direct part in advising farmers regarding the seasons, the privilege of collecting tithes has been jealously preserved. There are many places where land is covered by an ancient deed making the payment of tithes to the church a condition of tenancy.

MAYPOLES ORIGINALLY "GNOMONS"

18. The picturesque custom of dancing round the Maypole is another modern survival of ancient astronomy and Pagan ritual. In Northern Europe "gnomons," similar to that used in Sarawak, Borneo, were used to make seasonal observations.

Red Indian Methods of Calendaring the Seasons in Canada.

As in high latitudes beyond 48 degrees north, winter conditions were not favorable for weekly—much less daily—observa-tions of shadows from such ordinary pole heights, the yearly observation was usually made about the 1st of May, when some clear weather could usually be relied upon, to enable local Almanak recorders to locate the Maypole's - noon - shadow's - length to check their "Clog-Almanak" register, to keep their yearly count of 365% days for public announcements in accord with the Sun's indications for each season. After the usefulness of locating the dates by means of shadows ceased, the worship of the Goddess Flora (Nature) was continued, and the use of the gnomon, or pole, which had been associated with this festival, was continued by the priests, as well as the collection of tithes. So the origin of the Maypole of today became obscured in the misty ages of the past. Most people in these days regard it merely as a survival of some Pagan festival.

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(†At Heiston, in Cornwall, England, there is an annual festival in May called the Flora, during which the whole of the townspeople throw open their houses to permit a procession of dancers to enter at the front door and dance out at the back in their progress round the town. This is called the "Furry" dance. In the morning of that day it is the custom to go out and gather branches of the hawthorn which are just showing the new leaves.—Editor.)

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May-pole shadows were measured by direct meridian lines like that shown for the Obelisk in Rome on Front-Plate G.

Generally the pioneer priests in North America had to cut a space clear of trees due north to allow the church flag-pole's shadow to indicate noon, and so re-time their watches before railways were invented,

Some farmers in Europe still continue to locate farmstead-noon by like meridian noon-marks on window-sills, floors or walls; and field-noon by "shadow-pins" the writer remembers seeing his grand-parents using.

INDIAN METHODS OF ALMANAK-MAKING

19. Now we come to a part of the story that is of special interest to dwellers on the North American Continent. Long before the old clog almanaks were used, and farther back than history or archæology records the use of "gnomons," prehisoric men resorted to still more crude methods, like those still in use by the secretive North American Indians. The following is an account of the primitive Almanak method still employed by the Sarcee Indians, located on the Indian Reserve near Calgary, Alberta.

So sealously had their secret method been preserved, that neither the experienced Indian agent nor the watchful Archdeacon (who together had lived more than twenty-five years amongst those old warriors) had the slightest idea that the Indians ever used any other Almanak method than the white man's Calendars which "Big Plume," the former medicine-man had adopted, and so became a successful farmer.

That had caused jealousy and chagrin to arise in the minds of his less wise tribesmen, who still held the white man's methods in contempt—for had not the white men deprived them of their happy hunting grounds, the prairies. Therefore Big Plume, having thus, to their minds, turned traitor against their tribe, was deemed an outcast and ostracized by the Sarceea. Consequently "Bull's Head," their great old warrior chief, who had taken many scalps in the gory days before the Canadian Pacific Railway was built, had of necessity to take upon himself the onerous duties of tribal medicine man in declaring the season months of the year more privately than the ancient pontiffs and abbots used to declare them to early Europeans.

20. That tribal disagreement with "Big Plume," coupled with the fact that "Bull's Head," being ill and very old, thought that he was about to die, enabled the following record to be obtained:

Mr. Geo. Hudson, who had during more than thirty years been interpreter to the Sarcees, kindly offered to accompany me on January 25, 1908, to interpre: a conver-sation with "Bull's Head," whose bottle of medicine we were taking. The old chief, being blind, did not notice our entrance to the room, where he reclined on a floor-bed praying, not as a Christian, but as a firm believer in the great Creator in whom the Indians earnestly believed before the white men came. That prayer, as interpreted, was both noble and impressive, he having that morning, like the patriarchs of old, divided his horses and cattle amongst his family preparatory to his anticipated departure to the "happy hunting grounds" of death.

21. But after a solemn interval the question was asked, through the interpreter, "How did the Sarcees know when to sow grain and tobacco before the white men came?"

"Bull's Head" snortingly replied, "By the Indian's own way!"

Red Indian Almanak Stick-counts

After being asked to explain that Indian way of locating the seasons, he expressed surprise at any white man coming prepared to believe that Indian ways were any good. The simple idea that Indian methods were worthy of the white man's consideration, when inverpreted, seemed to animate the old warrior with renewed life and interest. Partly raising himself, he declared that Indians knew the seasons before the white men came.

He was then asked when the Sarcees began their old Indian year, but could not locate the time nearer than that it began with the great Sun Dance, which was held during the first quarter of the new moon following the first thunder of God after the winter snow had melted away-i.e., about April, when the spring thunder and

rain begin.

22. He detailed how on that eventful morning the tribe assembled to watch for the sunrise, when the chosen virgin of the tribe (like the European May Queen) cried out directly the sun was half-disked on the horizon four prayers to the north, south, east and west points, and after declaring herself pure in life, promising to be truthful always, took the oath to the sun, and was then fastened in a wicker cage painted with the colors of the sun, yellow and red. In that she had to remain three days fasting, during which she was in complete authority over the tribe, who were feasting and dancing the sun dances around the pole, which they then erected and were required to maintain erect during three months till all the crops were

During the three sacred days the virgin had to wear the "holy hat" and refrain from washing and scratching, always being in the cage. Throughout those three days the spring sun dances were kept up, whilst the "medicine man" led the songs for each dance, blessing the sun and saying "O Creator! have mercy on us; accept our offerings!" which were hung upon the central pole, finally praying that his tribe might all follow up the wisdom of their foretathers.

23. "Bull's Head" was then asked why they held those dances and why they had so many varieties? He replied that they were to impress the Sarcees, especially the young people, with the importance to the tribe of due observance of the seasons, according to the moons, which he read off as interpreted on the following table:

White Man's Sarcee Indian Description of Month Names Sacred Emblems for Months April Frog Moon. May Sprouting (of Green Leaves and Grass.) June Egg (Duck's) Moon, July Moulting (Duck's) Moon. August Flying (Duck's) Moon. September . . . Running of the Deer. October Fall Moon. November . . . Misty Moon. December . . . Clear, Frosty Moon. January Great Moon. February Eagle Moon. March Goose Moon.

The practical utility of the Indian names for months is significant.

24. Upon being asked how they kept records of the days in each month, "Bull's Head" replied that they always counted 30 (as did the Ancient Egyptians and Druids) to every month, and that it was the medicine man's duty to keep record of them by each morning taking a stick from the daysto-come bundle and adding it to the days-past bundle. Those sticks (shown in the interpreter's arm, on Plate 9) were carefully scraped twigs of the "pussy" willows, which by their silvery catkins show the first sign of growth in the spring season.

Next he was asked whether he had any of those sticks, when he, with evident delight, leaned back on his couch, and reaching under the far side of the bed, produced two bundles, explaining that they only kept 150 sticks for five months, as their method was to use 30 each for the first two months after the spring thunder, but the thirty for the middle (third) month they always split into two parts of 15 each, so that after the first 15 days of that moon were passed they knew that it was midsummer, and then held their greatest sun dance (about June 10 to July 10, according to the moon's range).

After that 15th day the remaining 15 days were counted, as usual, by daily with-drawing one stick from the "unused" to in-sert it in the "used" bundle, leaving the for-mer to show the remaining days of the Egg (June) month, as illustrated on page 6.

25. The last two bundles of 30 days each served for July and August, after which the last bundle was used again for September, their sixth, or odd, month, during which the great deer hunts took place.

(The Sarcees thus separately derived and combined the 5 months count of Noah and the 6th month count Jacob invented.)

Afterwards the whole five bundles were

Five-month Counts Extended to Six Months (Jacob's "Years")

used again, one for October, one for November, and the middle (third) one being again split at the 15th day to locate midwinter, when the sun floats lowest across the sky—and so forth till February ended the eleventh moon, followed by the odd twelfth Goose Moon (March), which generally seemed to be nearly a quarter of a moon longer, till about every third or fourth year the great thunder and rain seemed to be mysteriously delayed till after a thirteenth moon was counted. Then the medicine man had to hold his last bundle of 30 to count over a second time, as the great spirit required that repetition to make them remember.

26. Therefore the chief, with the medicine man and elders of the tribe, knew that it was advisable to repeat the dances for the whole series of twelve moons each springtime to impress their usefulness upon the minds of the growing generation. With that object the dances were made attractive, not only by bringing young and adult people together in joyous revelry, but by further using ornamental head-dresses and emblems distinctly hung upon the central sun pole during each of the twelve spring festival dances.

Upon being asked where those emblems were, "Bull's Head" replied that "Rig Plume," their old medicine man, still kept them secreted, because when a young man he had given lots of horses and cattle for the privilege of holding that high office over the tribe, and as the tribe had become poor they could not raise sufficient to buy them

He added that "Big Plume" had the emblems for each dance and month in the sacred bag made of hide, but would not be able to show it to anybody, not even a red man, till the great thunder of spring, when it took three days to open it, according to the traditions of the red men, as a distinct ceremony should precede the production of each, though "Big Plume" had not exercised due care and dignity in displaying them to the tribesmen each spring.

THE OLD SQUAW DANCES WITH DELIGHT

27. Being requested, through the interpreter, to explain those dances, the old warrior, "Bull's Head"—whose name was probably derived from his massive head and great breadth of chest, denoting great strength—brightened up and began chanting the words sung at those great dances held so beneficially during his youth. The weird, wavy, musical notes recalled those

happy days to his squaw, who had been deeply interested in the conversation passed through the interpreter. She, though very aged and haggard in appearance, rose to her feet, and joining in the song led by "Bull's Head," began to trip and twirl about the floor in such grotesque gyrations, representing their old dances, that it was difficult for the writer to refrain from smiling, when all was taken so literally by them and the second Squaw present. The stiff efforts towards making what should have been graceful twists and curves were, with the squeaky voice of the Squaw, very comical.

They all seemed so happy and pleased that any white man could appreciate good in their tribal ways that "Bull's Head" offered to give the writer the five bundles of almanak day-recording sticks, and Mr. Hudson most kindly presented the horns of the last buffalo killed by the tribe, and a piece of the last elk's horn they had found.



PLATE 9.—The Sarcee interpreter holding the "pussy" willow almanak sticks, which had been given to Mr. Cotsworth by Bull's Head. The strange objects hung on the line are the entrails of c "tle being dried to form skins for sausages.

28. Leaving those aged Indians happy by simple appreciation and the gift of some almanak signs on literature, the next evidence sought was to discover and, if possible, see the "sacred bag" secluded by the wily "Big Plume," who lived about sixteen miles away.

We found that "Big Plume" had some unjust grudge against the interpreter, who therefore could not be used just then, so the Rev. Archdeacon Tims (who had resided on the Sarcee Reserve about twenty-five

years conducting a mission) very kindly undertook to go as interpreter with the writer.

On arrival at the medicine man's ranch we cautiously questioned "Big Plume" concerning the sacred bag, which he first declined all knowledge of, but on being told that we had come direct from "Bull's Head's" place to see it, he very rejuctantly and evasively replied that it was absolutely impossible for any white-man to be allowed to see it, because Indians only could see the emblems during the great three days' festival immediately following the spring thunder.

29. As the month of January was paseing, all Indians must patiently wait till then. White men could not be allowed to see it.

But as the writer had to go to Europe there was no possibility of his being present, even if diaguised as an Indian. So, after a tedicus harangue to test "Big Plume's" vulnerability, the writer, having noticed the elaborate defence of "Big Plume"—who held that bad luck would follow the tribe if any white man saw the contents of the sacred bag—suggested that no harm could result from letting the faithful archdeacon, as the twenty-five years' trusted adviser of the tribe, see the "outside" of the bag. To that extent he relented, and brought forth the precious bag, at which we were privileged to peep, whilst he explained that it contained the old flint arrowheads and other relics of the tribe, along with the emblems.



PLATE 20.—Big Plume's squaw disclosing the Sarcee's sacred bag, containing the festive emblems for the respective months of each year as described in paragraph 32.

30. The writer's previous experience amongst the wily Arabe in Syria, and other tribes in America, led him to ask whether "Big Plume" (who was known as being keen to earn dollars) believed that bad results would come to him and his tribe if a stranger looked in, found the bag, and simply looked at the emblems whilst he and his family were away. He thought not.

his family were away. He thought not. He next was asked what harm could result if, while he was asleep, his squaw took the bag outside to dust the embleme in order to preserve them, when, say, the archdeacon and writer might be coming round the corner of his house and see the embleme especially if "Big Plume," on waking, should realize the happy dream that some then useful dollar notes had been mysteriously found for his benefit, as the result of sleeping while we saw the bag and its contents?

He seemed to like the idea of the dollar notes coming so easily; could not see that much harm would result if he did not order the bag to be taken out. In fact, his squaw had to do that when cleaning the house and airing the bed on fine, sunny days. He feigned weariness, and said that he was prepared to go to sleep then and there, whilst his squaw knew her housekeeping part of the business.

CONTENTS OF THE SACRED BAG DESCLOSED BY THE SQUAW

31. She certainly did, and plainly intimated that, while he was going to have the easy part by going to sleep (or pretending to), she should have some dollars for her o'vn use, because she would be taking the responsibility of disclosing the contents of the bag to our gaze.

After a little bargaining, the dollars asked for were agreed upon, provided that she would give the writer the black-stone pipe she was smoking—after being photographed amoking it whilst holding the bag exposed, as shown in the photo.

RED INDIANS COULD NOT FIND THE LENGTH OF THE YEAR BY MOON COUNTS

32. The most important fact gathered during those searches for almanak records amongst the Sarcees and other American Indiana, in both the United States and Canada, is that until missionaries brought the European almanaks for their use they had not been able to find out for themselves any definite measure of the year's length, nor any fixed register closer than the 29½ days' range of moon-counted year-closing-dates.

Egyptian Calendar copied by Remans, who handed it down to Europeans

The Moon's over-awing phases, recurring differently each 19 Springs, so misled them that they could not precisely locate either the beginning or the end of the Solar Year, without erecting Sun-gauging observatories to guide them to the true commencement of the sensons, especially at the Spring Equipment when most model to mis better experience.

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Though their ancestors had during many centuries developed a higher civilization than the now demoralized type of Indian experiences, having formerly well-matintal trading over 3,000 miles long, from the St. Lawrence into the Northwest Territories, their abundance of animal and fish foods had tended to keep them simply as nomadic hunters and pestoral tribus for whose guidance the rough approximations of the seasons counted by the 30 day-units nearest to 29.53 days in lunar months sufficed, so long as Indians were sparsely scattered over the vast prairies and roved about fishing and hunting.

The commencement of their years varied very much like the church years beginning with Easter have foolishly been so long oscillated between the 22nd of March and 25th of April by European churches.

During the curious accounting arrangement of the "ecclesiastical year" ending Easter, 1907, there were only 50 Sundays, whereas during the next (1908) year 55 Sundays intervened, and the collections were 10 per cent. larger; but 1909, with 51 Sundays, showed a corresponding ahrinkage—because Easter was allowed to drift backwards and forwards with the moon.

The foregoing notes regarding some of the interesting phases in the evolution of our Almanaks and Calendars are recorded to enable readers to appreciate the great practical every-day value of the Calendar, which was derived through the stupendous labors of the Egyptian Pyramid Builders to increase their needed food and to prevent their enemies from stealing the fertile yearly irrigatable land adjoining the Nile, which grows about three crops per year without any manuring as the Nile mud serves better provided that the tillers of that soil are duly instructed concerning the best times to sow each kind of seed and the precise Calendar days upon which they must perform the necessary operations to ensure fullest crops.

That instruction farmers now freely derios from printed Galendars such as that condensed on Fore-plate Ja. But during the Pyramid Era the secret passession by Egyptian Rulers of that most valuable Galendar knowledge they were the first to precisely discover, after the most strenuous efforts of building their stupendous Sundials, (the Pyramids), gave them the greatest advantage over their enemies. As that supreme advantage would have been jeopardized if their secret guide of the daily register by Pyramid thadows had been divulged to their enemies, that vital knowledge was (like the secret code of the British Navy) reserved exclusively for the eyes of the Pyramid Priests who governed the people, in all affairs of the Calendar, commanding the daily agricultural operations to be done in the name of Pharaoh, to grow ample food to maintain the nation.

Gradually pyramid astronomy by study of shadows became obsolete on finding that better almanak results could be derived from direct observations of the stars, which had the further immense advantage of being locatable wherever the observer might be, whereas Pyramid observations could only be made at the foot of the Pyramid they could not move. But the key to star astronomy was the older system of pyramid shadow observation, by which the length of the year was discovered and later used to develop Star Astronomy.

During the 19th Century more convenient watches put Sundials almost out of use.

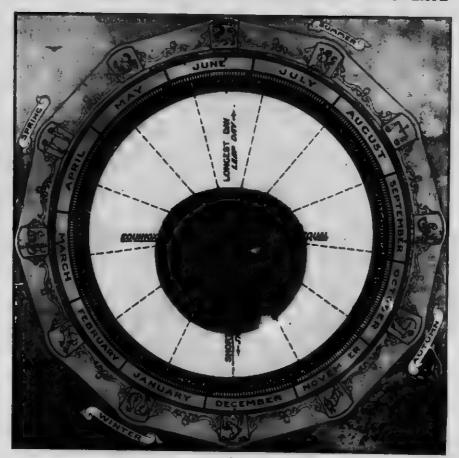
—Similarly the easier "Star Astronomy" has, during about 5,000 years, relegated the Pyramid-shadow-method into oblivion.

While the Egyptians and Israelites had long before derived the 12 months year, the scattered nations and tribes of Europe used notched-sticks to tally 5, 6 and 10 moon "years" until Numa, the Roman king during the 7th century befor C'irist; added January and February months to make 12, alternating 29 and 30 days with the moon, totalling only 354 days per year.

Various adjustments were tried during the next 600 years, after which Julius Caesar wisely determined to adopt the Egyptian FIXED year of 365 days, but unfortunately failed to adopt their equal months.

JULIUS CAESAR, in 46 B.C.—REJECTING the EQUAL-30-DAY-MONTHS, which SOSIGENES rightly ADVISED. EGYPTIAN SYSTEM Marketon nelleton s firm nelleton seles. Heren seles

The Egyptian Autonomer, Sonigenes, when commanded by Julius Caesar to devise a Yearly Calendar of Days—to replace the Roman Moos—MONTHS of so days each, with 5 non-month serival Days ending the Year. Unfortunately suggested the Egyptian system of 12 EQUAL. Hat "odd numbers were Judy," removed the soft day from February along with the 5 Egyptian Festival Days, and spread them as the state days of fannary, March, May, July, September and November. We may imagine Julius Caesar saying: "Do you expect me as Ruler of the Mighitest Empire the world has known, to simply copy so from the conquered Egyptians? The Roman people believe that 'odd-numbers are lucky." That foolish belief arose through Romans being paid monthly. Their "odd-numbered" 29-day-months were "lucky" by bringing the same pay as for working alternate 30-day months.



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PLATE 11. The CYCLE of OUR YEAR indicated by black-lettered MONTHS (now geared 9 days after the Seasons), outside the 365 Day-cogs' circle, within which—geared to begin with the Seasons—are named the suggested 13 EQUAL MONTHS of 4 weeks each.

The proportional Lengths of Day and Night at month-ends are indicated by the lengths of the ray-lines traversing the white space during the Day, and through the dark apple-shaped space to the focus of these ray-lines measuring Night-time, between sunset and sunrise.

A primal defect in our Calendar's record of the Year and Seasons is that of being out-ofgear with Nature's Year and Seasons it is supposed to register. They End on the Winter
Solstice (December 22) whence Days increase in length by daily accelerated ratio until the
Equinozes, when Day and Night become Equal, and the daily increase in daylight is about
365 times greater than at both the Shortest and Longest Days. Towards June 21st the inter-dayextension diminishes, and thence the Day's length becomes reduced in corresponding ratios
expanded most at the September Equinoxes, whence they decrease to the "Shortest-day," Dec. 22.

Consequently our Calendars begin 9 days after Nature's Year which is always symmetrical,
whereas our Civil Year is skewed 9 days late, and drags along 9 days behind Nature's cycle.

When Julius Caesar found the Roman Calendar (from which ours was derived) about
ninety days out-of-gear with the Seasons through the drifting of the Lunar Calendars the
Romans used until the year 46 B.C., he (like the Chinese Government are now doing)
determined to abandon the shifting Lunar Calendar, which could not then be kept so near
to the Seasons for Agricultural uses as the Chinese, by modern printing of agricultural instructions for each day in their elaborate Calendars, have been able to approximate very nearly.

After learning the superior advantages the Egyptians enjoyed through their FIXED
CALENDAR of 365 days, Julius Caesar varying the advice of Sosigenes, the Egyptian Astronomer,
decided to adopt the fixed year of alternate 31 and 30-day months, ending February with 29.
But as the people of the Roman Empire did not gain the 7-day week till Constantine the Great
decreed it 366 years later, they then necessarily used the Moon as their most practical guide to the
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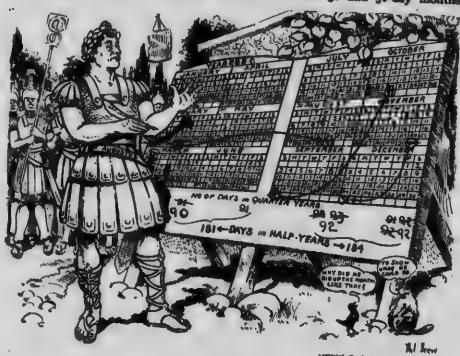


Plate 13
AUGUSTUS CAESAR (1940 years ago) RIGGING UP and MUDDLING our MONTHS
THE PRESUMPTUOUS PRIDE AND ARROGANCE OF AUGUSTUS WAS THE ENTIRE CAUSE OF THE LENGTH OF
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That our annually changing calendars of unequal months, fixed by Augustus Casar, will soon be replaced by one permanent "yearal" with equal months of four complete weeks each, is increasingly evidenced by the resolutions in favor of Calendar reform passed by the International Congress of Chambers of Commerce, financial and educational suthorities in the various countries of Europe and America, who with the learned societies have urged the most powerful governments to assemble the forthcoming official Conference of International Representatives to consider the various proposals for Calendar reform, and finally recommend what is best to be done in the interests of humanity.

2. While our changing yearly calendar is accurate in recording the full number of days in each year, and sufficed for ancient nations, the unequal months, with trouble-some alterations of week-day names for every monthly date, causes much needless inconvenience to us all, now that business and social conditions have vastly changed

since the Casars ruled the people of Europe, Africa and Western Asia.

3. When Julius Casar was raised to

3. When Julius Casar was raised to power, nearly 2,000 years ago, he (like the President of the newly-formed Republic of China) felt the need of a FIXED Calendar. The Roman calendar in the year 46 B. C. was about three months out of gear with the seasons, because the Pontiffs had been forced by powerful governors to falsify the calendar rolls to extend their periods of office. The masses of the people had no check on their calendars, which, like the Chinese "lunations," were based upon the moon's ever-varying cycle of days, from whence our months are derived.

The Chinese calendar wanders only about one month from the solar seasons now, just as Easter and other festivals of the Christian church "wander" according to whether there are twelve or thirteen new moons in the year. But that variation of an extra moon each third year is a potent cause of famines and poverty as exemplified

by the famines in Ireland which resulted when the earliest Easters led to planting potatoes, etc., too soon, thereby causing the young shoots to be cut off by frosts, which also blighted other early Easter-sown crops.

4. To an an arrange months to complete calendar for the positions of the positions, Julius Casar considering that a fixed solar calendar, like that of the Egyptians, was necessary to ensure national stability, wisely ignored the achemes of the Pontiffs and others, as he knew that the services of one thoroughly practical astronomer, trained to provide the best solar calendar information for the guidance of all engaged in agricultural work, was worth more than the divided opinions of the Pontiffs and a host of other theorists—simply chose Sosigenes, the Egyptian, as the best man available. Julius Casar commanded him to suggest a fixed solar calendar for the Romans—who then had not our seven-day week, which regulates the civil affairs of most nations. Now the week forms the essential basis to rearrange months to complete calendar reform.

JULIUS CÆSAR'S REFORM

"Caesar's arrangement was substantially the same as the reform of the Egyptian Calendar in the year 238 B. G. under Ptolemy III Energetes, a fact which remained unknown until the discovery of the Decree of Canopius by Lepsius at Sanor Tanis in Egypt in the year 1866." Enc. Brit. XXII, p. 276.

That Egyptian Reform, probably due to

That Egyptian Reform, probably due to the Observations of Eratosthenes, was copied by ""as Casar so far as "fixity" was concerne but he failed to copy their equal 30 day months, as depicted opposite, on the cartoon.

Most people erroneously believe that Julius Casar originated the calendar of 365 fixed dates in each year, whereas he copied it from the Egyptians, who by their stupendous pyramid labors discovered the fixed recurring seasons of the year, and thereby conferred the supreme benefit of a fixed 365-days-repeating year to guide the seasonal work of humanity.

To Julius Cassar belongs the credit of being the practical statesman who raised the Romans and other Europeans to greater prosperity by adopting the fixed lengths of permanent months and the 365-day year to replace the ancient moon-wandering calendars—just as the Chinese are now preparing to discard their mystifying lunar calendars.

Sosigenes advised months of 30 days, but when Casar insisted upon having oddnumbers to make "lucky-months," Sosigenes reluctantly suggested that, to be easily remembered, the odd numbered months be given thirty-one days each, and the even months thirty days each, with the exception of February, which then ended the year. It was to have the remaining twenty-nine days to complete the 365 days of the year then first permanently fixed for Europeans by the Romans.

That less desirable allocation of the then fixed twelve months was enforced by Julius Cæsar. It's fixity established such widespread benefits throughout the Roman Empire that it brought more permanent glory to his name than his mighty conquests.

6. After his death, Augustus Cæsar, being jealous of the noble reputation Julius Cassar had earned by that beneficial reform, declined to allow the Senate to give the Augustian name to August (then called Sextilis), until they extended its days from thirty to thirty-one by taking away the twenty-ninth day from February. Then the bankers complained that Augustus had spoiled their quarterly periods for interest by leaving ninety days in the first quarter and ninety-three days in the third quarter. Augustus was too proud to put February 29th back, so to reduce the 3rd Quarter to its 92 days, he removed the 31st day of September to make the 31st of October. On being advised that the latter day should have been made the 31st day of December he ordered the 31st of November to be removed to make the 31st of December. Thus the presumptuous pride and arrogance of Augustus Cesar arbitrarily decided the bareha of Fallowship. trarily decided the lengths of February, August, September, October, November, and December, to which our ancestors and ourselves have servilely submitted during 1,940 years, without considering the many inconveniences which these clumsy months inflict on us all. We have grown up encum-

bered by Augustan month-jagged shackles.
7. When the twenty-eight to thirty-one day lengths of our months were selfishly fixed by Augustus, Europeans were mostly slaves, commerce was in its infancy, and commodities had to be hauled along roads or carried in galleys—all since replaced by railways, steamships and other means of rapid transportation in every country.

The enormous of manufactures and trade, with the multiplication of domestic and social needs, now necessitate innumerable references to calendars by everybody, whereas the masses of Roman alaves did not have any calendars, which were only possessed by the ruling Pontiffs. Probably less than an average of one person per hundred thousand then obtained permission to see the permanent wooden or

ivory almanake which the successive high priests kept secret to benefit the temples by mans of annual taxes now known as "uthes," collected from the agricultural population as rewards for the monthly declarations made by the priesthood, who advised the farmers concerning the plowing, sowing, etc., to be done during the ensuing moon, just as our printed cale and much better guide us all now, each we be a farming and general affairs.

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The odd persons then privileged to see the permanent almanak basis of each year's calendars were priests and rulers only. Priestcraft had inculcated the belief that it was practically as much a sacrilege to behold the source of the calendar as it was for the Israelites to look upon Aaron's rod and the other contents of the sacred ark of the covenant.

CONSTANTINE THE GREAT INTRODUCED THE WEEK OF 7 DAYS, CHANGING DATES

8. The changing phases of the moon each month guided earlier races, and during the centuries in which successive Casars ruled the world from Rome, the numbered days of each month sufficed for all the uses to which we apply the days of the week. Monthly dates did not then have different week-day names, as the seven-day week was

not copied from the small Christian community until about 350 years after Augustus had jumbled the months. NATIONS

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Constantine the Great, after observing the many practical advantages the Christians derived by observance of the Sabbath rest every seventh day—which produced improved health and strength, brought freedom from nervous stress and resulted in longer and happier lives and capability to do more useful work—decided to establish the recurring week of seven days throughout the Roman Empire as the most permanent benefit he could confer upon humanity. His great power and noble character carried that greatest calendar boon for all generations into world-wide operation.

9. The manifold advantages of the reform deservedly outshone the one disadvantage it created in necessitating the alteration of the week-day names for every one of the 365 calendar days each year. This change is due to the fact that this 365 are constitute a year of fifty-two weeks, \$7 s one odd day in ordinary years and plus two odd days in leap year. These two days respectively push the week-day names forward one day on each of three years and two days on the fourth year as shown below.



The CULPRITS "Odd-day" and "Leap-day" detected "PLAYING THE MISCHIEF" by "BUTTING FORWARD" our DAY-NAMES for DATES through EVERY passing MONTH and YE.

Yet we complacently submit to the confusion and loss caused by those concussions—instead of looking behind to find the cause of the trouble, and then promptly separating "those trouble-causing Days" to enable each day's name to remain fixed in the same place through every future week, month and year, so that we may always most easily identify the permanent day-name belonging to each recurring date.

Julius Caesar failed to realise the world-wide advantages derivable from the use of Equal Months, when he had not the week, now re-alicing every month.

Constantine-the-Great conferred the ever-welcome Sabbath rest each 7th day on Europeans; but the unequal lengths of 38 to 31 day months imposed by Julius and Augustus have ever since forced the Constantine weeks to yearly slice months into different w. hs, and at month-ends almost always split weeks into parts, incressantly but needlessly confusing weeks and months.

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In the Year 1582, POPE GREGORY the XIIIth ALTERED the JULIAN CALENDAR to the GREGORIAN, for Europe.



He ordered the to days between the 5th and 15th of October to be that out of the Calendar for the year 15th only, in order that the to days accumulated through Julius Caesar's error governing "Leap-Days" might be adjusted to restore the 21st day of March to accord with the Equison, and thereby the Calendar with the Seasons. Unfortunately he moved the Christian Year's Ead (which from the establishment of the Christian Era had been celebrated at Christians) from Dec. 25th to Jan. 22t—one week further away from Nature's Year's-end on Dec. 22nd, Russia and Greece have not compiled.

Pope Gregory the XIIIth Missed His Greatest Opportunity

As Plate 11 demonstrates, Julius Caesar began the Year 1 of his "Julian" Era 9 days after nature's year ended on Dec. 22nd. His Jan. 1st, then necessarily located by the new moon as the widest known indicator, was where our Dec. 31st is.

Next Augustus Caesar, vide Plate 12, moved Nov. 31st to Dec. 31st, thus perversely inserting the 10th day between

Nature's year-end and ours.

Fortunately that defect can very easily be remedied, by leaving out the last 10 days of the Pre-Reform year, as Pope Gregory the Great so readily skipped from the 5th to the 15th October, 1582, as cartooned opposite.

The factor that appears to have retarded the success of Pope Gregory's Reform was his failure to readjust that reforming year's-end to accord with Nature's indication on the Shortest Day, by closing up the 10 days between Dec. 22nd and January 1st, which all Europeans could have better understood and would have readily accepted as the

natural adjustment of the year.

Pope Gregory the XIIIth's retrograde terminal demand appended to his right decree to leave out 10 days aroused opposition and retarded that reform, by his misfit proposal to divert the Church's "New Year" from Christmas (Dec. 25th) to Jan. 1st, to accord with the Julian New Year, which would have been better reverted to Dec. 23rd to follow Nature's year, always expiring on the Shortest Day—Dec. 22nd.

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By sundering New Year's Day 7 days further away from the old Yuletide (Dec. 22nd), so dear in home-reviving memories to the stalwart Protestants of Northern Europe—harm was done to that well-

intended Reform.

That was unfortunately pressed by the Roman Catholic Heirarchy during the then current Anti-Catholic Reformation period, when it naturally aroused the suspicions of Northern Europe that some ulterior ecclesiastical advantage was being sought by the Papacy, when apparently the better course would have been to have ended 1582, as the year of Calendar Reform, on the Shortest Day instead of increasing the 3 days lagging of Christmas behind Nature's year-end by 6 days more to end our years on Dec. 31st.

There was no basis for that suspicion which caused the Protestant parts of North-Western Europe to delay the revision of their Calendars till 1700, when 11 days

were dropped out, as Great Britain and Ireland last of all left out 11 days in Sept., 1752, after experiencing 170 years of dualdate reckonings in European trade.

Western Europeans trading with Russia and other Eastern nations of Europe and Asia now differ 13 days, because Russia, Greece and the Greek Church countries of Bulgaria, Roumania, etc., still persist in ignoring the Gregorian adjustment—which thus so largely failed, because of that lack of discernment entailing the forcing of the civil year further behind Nature's year-end.

Pope Gregory and the Vatican rightly left out the 10 days, but made the mistake of expunging them from October, instead of adjusting the Gregorian Year's end to close with Nature's Year on the "Shortest Day," and permanently Fixing Easter.

While none of the nations had any serious difficulty in leaving out the 10 days at any period of the year they chose to adjust by new Calendars—although printing was very rare, and only in its infancy—they did not like the idea of closing out the 10 days in October, because neither their wishes nor convenience had been consulted; consequently France, while convinced that 10 days should be left out, decided to assert its independence by calendaring the 10th Dec. as the 20th.

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The "Low Countries," now Holland,
Belgium and parts of Germany, for like
reason more appropriately decided to eliminate the last 10 days of their year by naming the 15th of Dec. as the 25th for Christmas Day still ended the year in most

European countries.

In England until the Norman Conquest in 1066 A.D., they began their years in some Saxon Kingdoms on March 25th and in others on their old Yuletide, December 25th.

Similarly in Germany, till 1544, their

years began at Christmas.

From the earliest Christian period the years, according to which Papal Bulls have been dated, have always, as now, commenced with Christmas.

In Rome, the greater part of Italy and Southern Europe, the years began on December 25th, until Pope Gregory reformed the year in 1582, when he proclaimed the 1st January as the 1st day of the year (vide Cath. Ency., Vol. 111, "Chronology").

EASTER and ALL FESTIVALS can EASILY be FIXED by USE of the

Pope Gregory the XIIIth had to overcome the Pre-Reformation ignorance and prejudice prevailing among the masses of European vassals in 1582 when he unfortunately decided to regulate the fluctuations of Easter "by establishing a fictitious moon, "which is purposely made to depart from "the place of the true Moon, in order to "prevent the coincidence of the Christian "Paschal Feast with that of the Jews" (en "Calendar" in the Century Dictionary).

Had Pope Gregory been able to FIX EASTER, as the forth-coming International Conference will almost certainly recommend the Nations to do, he would have conferred a yearly world-wide boon

upon all Christian people.

That Conference, by bringing Fixed Easters into operation will thus remove the worst cause of disputes, controversies and dissensions which has afflicted and sundered Christian Churches from the earliest times.—Therefore it is all the more incumbent upon the more enlightened leaders of the Church Councils in this 20th Century, to notify the President of the United States in advance for the impending Conference, of their willingness to accept FIXED DATES for ALL FESTIVALS.

The two great reasons which probably prevented Pope Gregory from fixing them in the year 1582 were, 1st, the then general use of the Moon by the common people for locating Festivals, Feasts, Fairs, &c., before printed Calendars became available; and 2nd, the secret pressure exerted by the privileged persons who held the highly profitable monopolies for providing Calendars in different countries—and were partly dependent upon the Vatican for information which was indirectly of financial benefit to the Church.

Now all Church difficulties in those directions have been removed, as readers of pages 13 to 22 of the "Rational Almanak"

may see.

Even the Church of England's custom of varying the Psalms for different dates can be easily met, as "R. A." page 16 shows, by applying the numbers of the proposed months, plus 7, 14 and 21 to use on the proposed fixed Sundays.

Since the writing of that advocacy for Fixing Easter 19 years ago, the proposal has been welcomed by the masses of the people in nearly every country, in terms similar to the following, reprinted from that

leading British newspaper, "The Times," on 17th April, 1914:

"Is it not more evident year by year that "a deplorable blunder has been made in fix"ing the first national spring holiday on
"the most solemn fast day of the national
"Church? In almost every pulpit today
"(Good Friday) severe references are
"made to holiday folk who spend the day
in the open air. In reality a great injury
"is done to the closely-pent population of
the towns by ear-marking one of their rare
"days of rest for a devotional celebration so
"highly pitched that but few comparatively
"can set themselves in tune to it.

"It is entirely untrue that the bulk of "the holiday crowds are either hostile or "indifferent to the purposes of this great "memorial day. On the contrary, it is real "distress to many earnest religious people "to be branded as disloyal because they "make use of an oppostunity for getting air, "exercise and variety in their cramped lives. "They know in their hearts, whatever the preachers may say, that they are doing no "wrong, yet it sits heavy on them to seem "to set their Master at naught. The in-'convenience of shifting the date of the "public holidays at this season to meet the "tradition of the Church has frequently been commented on, and an early Easter

"is generally unpopular.

"It would obviate the religious difficulty "and suit public convenience if the public "holiday were fixed for a late date in April. "Few but the leisured attend such services "as last from 12 to 3 on that day; for the "others early morning and evening services "would suffice. The poignant contrasts "now observable would be done away, the "Church would no longer be scandalized "by flagrant disregard of a sacred anniver-"sary, and the faint touch of guilt which "for many conscientious people damps the "joy of their spring day in the open would "be wiped away. Why should not the "April public holiday extend from Friday

"to Monday inclusive?"

The Catholic Ency. III, p. 160, reads:
"The Council of Niccea is believed to
"have determined that Easter was to be
"celebrated on the 1st Sunday after the 1st
"Full Moon which follows the Spring
"Equinox.—According to this Rule, which
"has ever since been accepted, the earliest
"day upon which Easter can fall is March
"22nd and the latest April 25th."

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Another of the ABSURDITIES and ANOMALIES of our CALENDARS causing "Father Time" some hazardous jumps, spoiling our holidays and church finances. s.g.—The year 1907 had only 50 Sundays between Essters, but 1906 hed 55 Sundays with 10% more Collections.

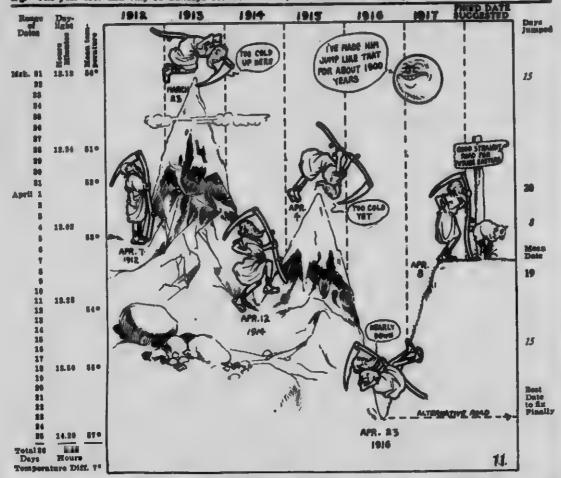


Plate 14.—How the Dates for EASTER are un-reasonably forced to CHANGE

The italic numbers down the right side record the number of days Easter jumps back in 1913, 1915 and 1917, and the bolder 20 and 19 days denote the leaps forward. The left side records of the average temperature at London (England) during the last thirty years prove a difference between early and late Easters of seven degrees, while the disparity in daylight is more than two hours per day during the 36 days of range between March 21st and April 25th, when the change of temperature is most risky for the ever-increasing number of children who then delight to put on their lighter and brighter dresses. That drifting is injurious to the vast number of families whose wage-earners necessarily plant potatoes, etc., during early Easter holidays, after which frosts too often impoverish their crops.

Surely we need a more reasonable and better way than the antiquated Lunar method which not only shifts Easters so needlessly backwards and forwards, but also drifts Whitsuntide and all the other Movable Festivals contingent upon it, so that the dates for legislatures, colleges, schools, law courts, etc., are drifted inconveniently, and those longest public holidays generally spoiled by cold and wet experienced during early Easters. They do not benefit anyone, but inconvenience us all and risk health.

The remedy suggested is for the governments to fix the date permanently through the International Conference which will decide whether the mean date of present fluctuations (April 8th) or April 23rd, or other date is the most advisable to ensure international agreement and concurrence of the churches throughout Christeadom who now realize that moon-wandering Easter-days do not truly locate the Anniversary of the great event they are intended to celebrate, as a fixed date could better do.

EASTER and ALL FESTIVALS should be FIXED for the GENERAL CONVENIENCE of HUMANITY.

The following quotations taken from the Catholic Encyclopædia are instructive:

"There can be little doubt but that the "early Christians felt as we do the incon-"venience of the movable element of Easter, "Uc., in the otherwise stable framework of "the Julian Galendar.

"But we have to remember that the "movable element was established there by

"right of prior occupation.

Since the Jewish Christians had never "known any other computation of time than "that based on the lunar month the only "way which could have occurred to them "of fixing the anniversary of Our Saviour's "Resurrection was by referring it to the

"Jewish Pasch.

"Instead of determining that the 2nd day "after the Jewish Pasch (17 Nison) should "always be counted as the anniversary of "the Resurrection, independently of the day "of the week upon which it might fall, the "Apostles appear to have settled (though "in this we have very little positive evi-"dence) that the Sunday was to be kept as "the Christian Pasch which fell within the "Azymes, or days of unleavened bread, "whether it occurred at the beginning, middle or end of the term.

"This arrangement had the drawback "that it made the Christian Feast depen-"dent upon the computation of the Jewish

"Calendar.

THE MOON-WANDERINGS OF EASTER

Till Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D. the insertion of the 13th (intercalary) month by the Jews, about each 3rd year, followed no fixed Astronomical rule, but the Sanhedrin decided each time whether the year should be embolismic or notbeing influenced in their decision, not by Astronomical conditions alone, but by the forwardness or backwardness of the Seasons—to prevent their Paschal, 14th of the Lunar month Nisan, from arriving too early, as corn in the ear and lambs for sacrifice had then to be presented to the Priests.

It was the difficulty created by that changing system, and the impossibility of accommodating it to the Julian Chronology, as adopted throughout the greater part of the Roman Empire, which led to those troubles about the determination of Easter (the Paschal Controversy) that

nearly rent asunder the early Christian Church.

"However, though Tertullian declares "without misgiving that Christ suffered "upon the a5th March (a tradition per-"petuated in numberless Calendars through-"out the Middle Ages) this date was cer-"tainly wrong."

"Moreover, it was probably quite im-"possible at that period, owing to the arbi-"trary manner in which the Jewish Embo-"limnic Years had been calculated, to calcu-"late back to the true date. (See Easter

"Controversy.")

Further, that standard authority, the Catholic Ency., Ill, 160, records: "When the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D. practically deprived the Jews of the Dispersion of any norm or standard of uniformity, they probably fell into erroneous and divergent reckonings, and this in turn entailed a difference of opinion among Christians"—as to the true date for Easter.

"If it had been possible to ascertain in terms of the Julian Chronology the day of the month on which Christ actually suffered it would probably have been simplest for Christians all over the Roman world to celebrate their Easter (as later on they celebrated Christmas and St. Peter's Day) upon a fixed anniversary.

"Yet this, be it noticed, would have interfered with their newly established position of the 'Lord's Day' as the weekly memorial of the great Easter Sunday, as a fixed feast would of course have fallen upon all of the days of the week in turn.

That italic phrase, together with historic records concerning the origin of the "Easter Controversy" and other disputations which have too long retarded the usefulness of various sects, indicate that most of their bitterest controversies could have been avoided if any of their Calendar constructors had invented the "Skip-day" to establish fixed week-day names throughout the 365 days of every year, as now proposed to benefit everybody.

The "Skip-day" name suggested herein is for the last-day in each year, to be observed as a duplicate Saturday between the end of the 52nd week and Sunday beginning all

New Years.



"Father Time suggests where we should FIX the "SKIP-DAY:" to follow the last week-day of December and thus close each Civil Year with Nature's Year on that "extra Saturday" to end 1916 Dec. 31, or 1918 Dec. 22, instead of Sunday "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath." Early Christians moved it, as we can, to fix permanent dates for Sundays and week-days, to beneft every human being, every day.

The simple adoption of the "Skip-day" duplicate Saturday Holiday is the key by which we can lock all names for days, weeks and months to recur on Almanaks and Calendars, as surely and easily as the seconds, minutes and hours are recorded on our clocks and watches, upon which they would be duly recorded, to save us from all Calendar-created worries.

Let us make the "Skip-day" the jolliest of public Holidays, to be celebrated by all nations as the year-end Festival, to encourage peace and good will—on the duplicate Saturday proposed to permanently close every year, and thereby provide the much needed day for "stocktaking" and family re-unions. That would blend and extend both the Christmas and New Year's and family re-unions. That would blend and extend both the Christmas and New Year's Holidays with the week-end added most helpfully for both business and social convenience.

Either December 22nd, 25th, 31st or January 1st would do, but as Nature's Year ends on December 22nd, that date is best, especially as nations using the Gregorian Calendar would thereby be meeting more than half way two-thirds of the world's population who have been

using Lunar Caiendars, also the 150,000,000 Russians, Greeks, Slave and other races still using the Julian Calendar, as fixed by Julius Caesar, now 13 days behind ours.

That suggested nine days' Reversion to the "Shortest Day" (indicated by the long arrow reaching from the 51st to 22nd of December) whilst not essential is very desirable. It would be final for all time and far easier than the 10 to 11 days' Reversion, made by Pope Gregory the Great's Reform in the years 1582 to 1752 respectively.

Comparative CALENDARS for years 1911 to 1915, displaying BROKEN WEEKS between UNEQUAL MONTHS, to demonstrate the NEEDLESS CHANGES of WEEK-DAY NAMES for EVERY MONTHLY and YEARLY DATE—contrasted with the MUCH MORE CONVENTED TO MONTHS of 4 WEEKS each, proposed as the "YEARAL" at the feet.

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PLATE 15.—The above calendar illustrates several of the disadvantages of our present system. Many inconveniences arise from having 5 week-ends in months 1, 2 and 3 months apart. The dates are arranged as in 1911, beginning with the week. The thick black lines show the broken weeks at the ends of the months. It will be seen that the enly unbroken line comes at the end of September, which was the one month in 1911 that ended with the week. January 124, 1912, was on a Sunday. In 1912 it was on Monday, and the other day names all through the months of January and February were pushed forward one day. 1912 being leap-year, the insertion of February 29th caused all later week-day names to move a second day. But if (as Mr. Cotsworth proposes) the 31st Dec., 1911, instead of being named Sunday, had been celebrated as an extra Saturday "Ship-day" holiday for stock-taking, etc., and "Leap-day" also thus used—all the week-day names would become permanently affixed to the other 36s dates as 52 weeks in all years—wide top-line and monthly dates above; but easier and better arranged when equally divided into 13 months of 4-weeks each, as condensed below for the whole year.

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PLATE 16.—Mr. Comworth proposes that our easiest month of a complete weeks (Feb., 1914) be adopted to measure every month. Instead of twelve months thirteen are above. The extra one is named "Sol." Of course the name that will be applied to this new month will finally be decided by the Powers in Conference, to suit that mid-summer month between June and July.



OUR CLUMSY CALENDAR of UNEQUAL MONTHS UNFAIRLY WITH HOLDS BE LAWINGS of WORKERS and RETARDS CIRCULATION of MONEY through STOREKEEPERS IN WIRELES IN ARMERS and OTHERS.

10. The monthly dates fixed by the Cresars serve as a permanent register over which the week-day names have to be reshuffled every year by the calendar-makers, who provide the printed calendars ready in advance for our use. We merely use the dates accordingly. When the almanakmakers insert the 20th of February in leap years we accept it without questioning either why it should be allowed to inflict the injustice of forcing salaried servants to work that extra day without pay when it should be a public holiday, or why it and the 365th day should continue to drift our Christmas and national holidays into the middle of weeks, thus repeatedly, each year, depriving vast numbers of toilers throughout the world from deriving that extra happiness they could always enjoy if those holidays were permanently located on Mondays or Saturdays to link up with Sunday's restful extension.

II. The present turmoil of unequal months with changing day names was accepted by everybody with complete resignation as an inevitable consequence of the year's length being subdivided by the week of seven days, until the writer (then of York, England) in the year 1895, was im-pressed by the large amount of needless work and inconvenience caused by the change of day names for each monthly date and the fluctuations of dates for Easter. national holidays, fairs, markets, etc., when all should be permanently fixed.

12. He carefully considered the history and various factors blended in our calendars with those of other nations, knowing that every person in the civilized world is concerned in any proposal to simplify our time-worn calendars. Next an article was written demonstrating that by simply recording "Christmas Day" without either a week-day-name or a monthly-date, and similarly designating "leap day" by its name only, we could by locating them as dies non or general holidays, win the everlasting convenience and facilities of an International Fixed Almanak and rid ourselves forever from the numerous and constantly-recurring doubts and worries concerning dates, which often cause loss and trouble. Because our calendars annually shift the week-day names for dates, we thereby disorganize periods of monthly payments, vitiate comparisons of business on periodic records, break what should be the regular sequence of rotation duties, complicate business, accounts, etc. 13. The 365th day ending our year was first considered as the suggestive Skip-day, but the international advantage of locating that key to calendar reform nearest to December 22nd, when Nature ends her year, was found to be by far the most advisable, in view of the fact that the adoption of Nature's year-end would overcom all racial, religious and international prejudices, whilst a much more practical advantage can be gained for all humanity at the end of the year 1918 now that the new Chinese government have determined to abandon their ancient calendars (which moonwander like those that Julius Cress abandoned) and establish a fixed one, because the latter has now become a busines and national necessity to them,

Therefore, the Chinese Government are tentatively starting to use our Gregorian Calendar for Official documents, to prepare the way for the later change of the National Lunar Calendar-Books which have by far the largest circulation in the world. They contain details for agriculture and gardening uses, as their sowing times vary yearly on their shifting moon Calendars.

14. Their drifting calendars vary like our Easters, which fluctuate five weeks, according to whether twelve or thirteen new moons occur in the Christian ecclesiastical year. Owing to these fluctuations there were only fifty Sunday collections in 1907, but fifty-five in 1908. No wonder that ecclesiastical authorities, both Roman Catholic and Protestant, are now favoring calendar reform, especially as the writer, when publishing his pioneer book, "The Rational Almanak," on its page 16, outlined an easier way to vary the monthly Psalma.

All nations are now feeling the urgent need for equalizing our months into complete periods of four weeks each to permanently harmonise each recurring monthly date with the fixed cycle of week-day names, by immovably calendaring fixed week-day names for each of the 364 days in the 52 weeks of every year, which should be rearranged into thirteen months of

exactly four weeks each.

The new model or thirteenth month would be inserted between June and July without disturbing the seasonal indications of our present names for months as easily as the 29th of February was in 1912. February, 1914, being the easiest, is the model all nations will adopt, because the days of the week will always perfectly harmonise with the dates of every month, thus:

Clocks and Watches May Calendar Both Current Day-names and Dates

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Saturdays	7	24	21	28

All nations now use the week of 7 days.

15. This change can be very easily accomplished during 1917, 1918 or 1919. It will be welcomed by the Chinese, Japanese, Hindus and other races of India and Africa who still use the moon-wandering (lunar) calendars, which the rapid progress made by the national development of their civilizations is impelling them more quickly to abandon, because their out-of-season-drifting calendars are now proving inadequate for the intensive agricultural and industrial development of twentieth century needs.

CHINA MAY LEAD

16. What the Chinese government decides concerning the fixity of equal months, exactly divisible by complete weeks registering fixed week-day names for the same monthly dates throughout the year, will most probably be adopted by the abovementioned races, who together number 62 per cent. of the population of the world. The Greek calendar used by Russia, Roumania, Greece and others serves about 10 per cent., while our Gregorian calendar (which left out eleven days to correct errors in leap-year adjustments since Julius Cæsar's reform) only serves about 28 per cent. of humanity.

In considering a permanent international fixed almanak we should bear those pro-

portions carefully in mind.

Gregorian Calendar nations 28 per cent. Julian Calendar (Russia, &c.) 10 per cent. Asiatic and African Calendars 62 per cent. using 13th month calendars every 3rd year.

17. How very easily the proposed thirteen months of four weeks each can be established is evidenced by the Chinese calendar for last year, when their extra (13th) moon was intercalated between June and July (exactly where, nearly twenty years ago, the writer proposed to locate it), by simply repeating their June a second time. As their New Year's festival spreads over two days, that will readily absorb the "skipday" as their and our New Year's Eve.

18. If the Chinese government altered to the Gregorian calendar now, with all its defects, they would inflict needless confusion on their 400,000,000 countrymen, who in about four years would be again unsettled by altering to the International Fixed "Yearal," which most readily meets their permanent calendar needs and would be easily understood by all, because both the week-day names and monthly dates would be continuously cycling in unison as indicated on the outer edges of cheap dollar watches, as shown below. The Chinese calendar would then be easier every day, as on waking they would see at a glance, not only the time, but also the day of the week and month.

We, on the other hand, have to wonder every morning whether we can rest longer, if it is a Sunday, or whether we must get up for a work-day. After reflecting what day yesterday was, we deduce what today is, and then estimate, if we can, the day of the month, or find it on a calendar.

The "YEARAL" is applicable to CLOCKS and WATCHES, the "Day-pointer" moving like the hand of a center-seconds watch, 1-28th per day, indicated by Day-letters and Monthly-dates circled round either the front or back of watches which will then record complete time.

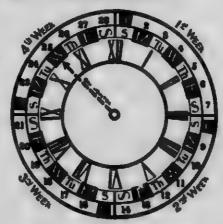


PLATE 18.—This is a further illustration of the great convenience that will be a feature of the reformed calendar as suggested by Mr. Cotworth. It represents an ordinary watch-face with a special hand added. (In order to make the diagram more clear the usual hour and minute hands have been omitted in the drawing.) The new hand is called the day pointer. On rising in the morning and looking at such a watch or clock the observer can tell at a glance what the time is, the day of the week, the date, and which week of the month it is.

The WEEK, its ORIGIN and SOME of its CHANGES

Although conclusive historic proof does not take us back further than the Egyptian planetary names for their 7 days of the week, the indirect evidences of the earliest records in Biblical and other Eastern writings indicate that as public assemblages had to be arranged at Full and New Moone, the doe of Quarter-moons followed approximately as 7, 7, 8, 7, 7, 8 days, in which the 7 so far predominated that after that compared the fixed 7 Stars of the Plough in the North Sky, they thereby established the fixed rotation of the 7 days week, as the Chinese and primeral races of India did.

The Egyptians knew of more planets than 7, and counted to 10.

The Jews moved the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday, whence the Christian again moved the Sabbath to the Ancient Egyptian Monday.

ORIGIN of the WEEK-(Vide Cath. Ency. III, Page 158.) "Our week of 7 "days is derived from the Egyptian system "of observing the 7 most apparent planets-"Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, the Sun, Venus, "Mercury and the Moon-in the order "of their periodic times (Saturn requiring "the longest, and the Moon the shortest, "time to complete their round of the "Heavens). Beginning with the planets in "order, the Egyptians named the days by "the planet then passing during the 1st "hour of each day" of 24 hours, 7 of which formed the final week Egyptian astronomer-priests had long before derived, thus: 1st Hour 1st day named Saturn'

"By 25th Sunday" 2nd 3rd " Moon-day" "By 49th 4th " "By 73rd 46 Mars" "By 97th "By 121st 5th " -86 66 Mercury"
Jupiter"
Venus" 64 66 64 6th "By 145th " -66 7th

"Hence, apparently, Europeans derived "their Latin names for the days of the "week, which are still retained-except "Samedi (for Saturn) and Dimanche (for "Sunday)-in modern French and other "Tongues," while Saturday, Sunday and Monday still are used by the Anglo-Saxon Races of British, German, American and other Nations.

"Those names were often used by the "early Christians, as instances by Justin

"The special honor early Christians paid "to the Sunday (dies solis) coupled per-"haps with the celebration of Christmas on "the day designated the natalis invicti "[Solis], may have helped later on, to "produce the impression that the Christians "had much in common with the wor-"shippers of Mithras.

"Probably at first most of the Christians "were Jews and as such they did not wholly "withdraw from the Synagogue. "early Christian Sunday must have been "rather a prolongation of, than a substitu-"tion for, the old-familiar Sabbath.

"But the observance of the 1st day of "the week became distinctive of Christian "Worship. St. John (Coloss. II, 16) "considered converts not bound to observe "Jewish Festivals, or the Sabbath proper.

"That the early Christians kept with "special honor the anniversary of the "Resurrection itself is more a matter of "inference than of positive knowledge.—
"No writer before Justin Martyr seems to "mention such a celebration.

According to Dio Cassius (Ency. Britt. IV, 665a), "The Egyptians commenced their weeks on Saturday. On their flight from Egypt the Jews, from hatred to their oppressors, made Saturday the last day of the week."

That pre-Jewish Egyptian origin seems further evidenced by the following excerpts from the Ency. Britt. XXII, p. 654: "The first writer who mertions the name of Sunday as applicable to the Lord's Day is Justin Martyr (about 140 A.D.), This designstion of the 'first day of the week,' which is of heathen origin, had come into general use in the Roman world shortly before Justin through lack of knowledge appended these well-intended but misleading words, "It is the first day in which God made the world."

He was alluding to that framework of 7 days the writer of Genesis I used for his concise word picture of Creation, which could not be literal, nor then understood without such a setting within the inevitable days all Races naturally derived as the fixed week because the nearest number of days in each Quarter of the Moon's 29.53 days cycle divided by 4, averages 7.38 days.

But as whole days only could be counted, and the 4 Quarters of the Moon were the only available signs the people at first had as guides to distinguish the days in each month, the week of 7 days was suggested independently through the Moon's phases to each Race of mankind, who at different periods developed separately beginning days for their festal cycles of 7 days.

Some early records indicate that as early

Our Sundays, neither observed on the Jewish Sabbath, nor true to the "ast day of the week" early Christians used.

men for mutual safety assembled and feasted each "new-moon" - when nights were darkest and even priestly leaders were uncertain upon which day that puzzling phenomenon might occur between nightsthey developed the easy-going congenial plan of duplicating that initial rest-day of each month by a and rest-day; making the New Moon Feast last 2 days, as we make Boxing Day, Dec. 26, the complement of Christmas Day, and the Chinese still spread their "New-Year's-Day" over 2 days, beginning with the New-Moon.

"In that case one exceptional week with a 7th working day" (naturally a duplicate Saturday) "would occur only once in 2 moons." Hence we see how naturally the 7 days became universal, while quite as naturally different Races began their Restdays and weeks on different days of our

We need only refer to the fact that the Masses of Chinese still know the 15th day of each of their Lunar Months, by the fact of its being "Full-Moon,"-and then call to mind how earlier Lunar Calendar people derived their weeks from the "Quarters of the Moon," which cannot halve 15 days—to realize that in pre-historic-times the alleged 7th day of Creation has been often diverted from its 7th recurring day being truly observed as either the original Sabbath, or the Christian Sunday, now needlessly changing its dates through every following year.

Further, it seems evident that if the 7th Day Egyptian Priests had instituted the

week at either an earlier or later date, Sunday would have been observed on a different day of our week. I respectfully submit that the foregoing, with kindred facts, prove that our Week of 7 days was like the Calendar, derived from the Egyptians, and that it is most probable that Moses derived from the Egyptians his record in Genesis I of the great Periods of Evolution he so concisely described as the "7 days of Creation" by the Lord Jehovah, and the 7 days of the week with the 7th day Sabbath he, at Mount Smai during the Exodus, so beneficially commanded the Israelites to keep holy as the Day of Rest then established by the 4th Commandment.

The words-"6 days shalt thou labor "and do all thy work, but the 7th day is "the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it "thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor

"thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-"servant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy "cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy "gates"-all cumulatively prove that the great essential was to ensure that all workers should have a day of complete rest after working 6, as nearly all civilized nations still find necessary to enforce by law to recuperate and maintain the vitality of their people.

Therefore if, as herein suggested, the Nations unitedly proclaim that the proposed "Skip-day" shall be Internationally observed as an "Extra Day of Rest," should not leave any cause for quibbling about any alleged breach of that 4th Commandment-provided that the next day be

calendared as Sunday.

Apart from the arguments of the Jews, Adventists and others who maintain that our Sunday is not held on the true Sabbath, we have the following irrefutable records from the most reliable "Catholic Encyclopaedia," based on the oldest Christian records and published by authority of His Holiness the Pope and the Vatican, who have the authenticating records;

Vol. XIV, p. 336, "Sunday (Day of the "Sun) is derived from Egyptian astrology. "During the 1st and 2nd Centuries the "week of 7 days was introduced into Rome

"from Egypt."

"Our Sunday is not the same as the "early Christians observed—as with the "Jewish Sabbath, the observance of the "early Christian Sunday began with sun-"down on Saturday and lasted till sundown on Sunday. That method of reckoning "Sunday, from Sunset to Sunset, continued "in some places down to the 17th Century "but in general since the Middle Ages the reckoning from Mid-night to Mid-night "has been followed."

These prove that even after early Christians moved their Sabbath rest from the 7th to the 1st day of the week the Roman Catholic Church, when completely representing all Christians during the 16th Century, moved the commencement of our Sunday from its old beginning at sun-down to mid-night on Saturdays, so that even the early Christian Sabbath has certainly been moved and is not now truly kept even in Rome, and is now further varied in different parts of the World, by many hours, currently over-lapping Westwards on parts of Saturdays, and Eastwards on parts of Mondays,

The Earliest Sabbath Cannot be Located, but Humanity Can Benefit by Fixing International Sundays.

"The obligation to rest from work on "Sunday remained indefinite for several "centuries—even after the Edict of Con"stantine the Great in 321 A.D. forbade
"Judges and townspeople to work on Sun"day—he made exception in favor of
"agriculture."

We should bear in mind the facts that

We should bear in mind the facts that the Christian Era was not introduced even in Rome until about the year 527 A.D. by Dionysius Exiguus, and our Sundays not definitely fixed until Alcuin's time near the

end of the 8th Century.

There is not any need for the Nations to be inconvenienced by the suggestion made by the reverend advocate in the United States who has suggested the impracticable limitation of ordinary years to 364 days, in order that the 365th day may be accumulated with Leap-day to intercalate a full week, in years varying from 5 to 6 years assert,—to more dogmatically enforce obedience to that 4th Commandment, the spirit of which would not be contravened, but helped by the adoption of the "Skip-day" as the International yearly "Rest-day" in Mid-winter, and the use of "Leap-day" as a Mid-summer Holiday in all Nations each "Leap (4th) year."

It is not possible for any group of persons to prove that they observe Sundays on the 7th recurring day after the cosmic Creation, as some suppose. Accumulating evidences from ascient records recently discovered indicate that the 7 days seconded in the 1st chapter of our Bible were added long after the original Book of Genesis was written, beginning with what is now part

of Chapter II.

But, vide 9th Ency. Brist. XXI, 125:
"It appears certain that the decalogue (10 Commandments) as it lay before the Deuteronomist did not contain any allusion to the Creation, and it is generally believed that this reference (to the 6 Days of Creation) was added by the same post-exile hand that wrote Genesis I. The older account of Creation in Genesis II does not mention the 6 days."

Saint Chrysostom, the eminent scholar, writing during that great formative period in which the Christian Church attained its greatest vigor, near the close of the 4th Century (in his "10th Homily on Genesis") "discerns the fundamental principle" of Rest, required by the 4th Commandment, "to be that we should dedicate one whole day in the circle of the week and set it

apart for exercise in spiritual things." Vide Ency. Britt. XXII, p. 654.

There also is quoted from the Apostolic Constitutions (VIII, 33): "Let the slaves work five days; but on the Sabbath Day (Saturday) and the Lord's Day (Sunday) let them have leisure."

Yet we after nearly 1,500 more years of Christian civilization have not risen to that ideal, which would so happily remove the great blight of unemployment from our 20th Century harried and tension-driven people—who after the greater folly of European nations fighting each other to the limits of exhaustion, may more readily welcome the Saturday's Rest as well as that of Sunday, and begin a New Era.

All these link up with the historical and earlier natural evidences, together demonstrating that the naturally required rest of 1 day in 7 was evolved by human necessities and has been equally profitable in ennobling mankind on whichever day of the week it

has been kept by any nation.

The foregoing, with earlier evidences concerning the long series of patchy Calendars early races had to use before priesta and early astronomers ascertained and made known the true length of the year, prove how impossible it is for any person to locate the original Sabbath or find how often it has been changed. But we can all benefit by fixing Sundays to permanent dates in future years.

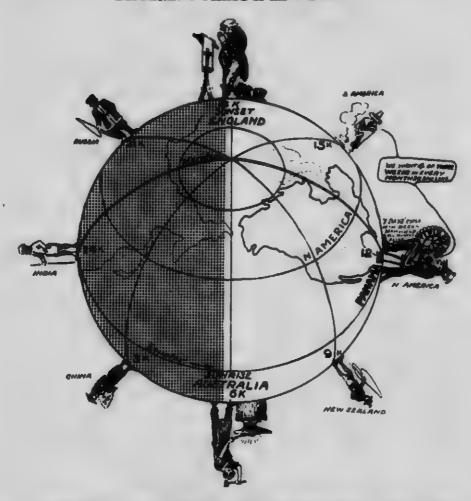
The hyper-critical few persons who quibble at moving the rightly movable Christian Sunday, overlook the historic fact that early Christians established that precedent of world-wide benefit derived by

changing the Sabbath.

Yet those few condone, without protest, the greatest Nations of the World, now ruthlessly slaughtering each other most on Sundays, when they should at least mutually refrain from killing their fellowmen wholesale on that then most needed "Day of Rest."

Such a little minority cannot reasonably expect to persuade the vast majority of broader-minded, progressive people in their own and other nations to believe that they should longer ignore the far more important present-day-need for one uniform International Rest Day, as a non-sectarian, natural, star-indicated Sunday, to replace the confusing and conflicting Mahommedan Sabbaths on our Fridays, Jewish Sabbaths on Saturdays and the later changed Christian Sabbaths on Sundays.

Our SUNDAYS Extractly VARY is SATURDAYS and MONDAYS in DIFFERENT PARTS of the WORLD



SUNDAYS with ALL WORK-DAYS concurrently DIFFER in DAILY TIME between different parts of the world—while "John Bull" as the father in England may be at church praying, his son if migrated to Australia may be working. Again, while the natives of India are asleep at midnight, the strenuous citisens of the United States are wide awake at noon, advocating the adoption of 4 weeks as the standard length for all months, which would be exactly quartered by the week, as the earliest Calendars constructed by Contral Americans did far more conveniently than the Unequal Months imposed by Roman Cassars upon Europeans ever can.

While the been cattle-relears and the herdsmen in Argentina are preparing to round up their cattle, the peaceful Chinese are enjoying their well-carned sleep.

Consequently when part of them migrate—as they are continuously doing in ever-reasis; numbers—they cannot take their homeland Sunday times with them, but the naturally accept the changed Sunday hours they find in use—say in the hour-cones of the United States and Canada—without the slightest tings of detriment or sentimental qualm affecting anyone.

It will be much easier to practically and reverently observe Sundays after they become permanently FIXED by the insertion of the closing day of the year as "Rest Day" or "Ekip-day," which will very helpfully tend to harmonize all Creeds and Nations.

The last change of Sunday—as evidenced at the end of page 67—akewed Sunday and about 6 hours earlier during March and September, but only 4 hours earlier furning June, although on the Shortest Day, Dec. 22nd, the change to Mid-night made begin about 8 hours earlier.

In reality their phantom source of quibble concerning which of the 7 days was the original Sabbath, harks back to the untraceable myths, Moon and Star-time-dividingmethods used in prehistoric times, and the disputed removal of the Hebrew Sabbath as Hitzig indicates anent the Feast of Pentecost.

Those appear to be very trivial when compared with the present-day-need for the greater convenience and mutual welfare the non-sectarian "Yearal"-fixed Sabbaths would through unity confer mutually upon all.

through unity confer mutually upon all. We should bear in mind that the 300 millions of Mahommedans, with the greater numbers in China, have as much moral right as we to desire the Sabbath to be fixed on their "Day of Rest," and that as the pro-posed "Skip-Day" would adjust the proposed mutually FIXED non-sectarian 52 Sundays fairly round in yearly turn during successive years, to each of their old Sunday's recurring 7th days; there are good reasons for feeling confident that all Nations and Creeds will be even more glad to adopt the proposed universally FIXED SUNDAY, than the millions of their emigrants now resident in America have been pleased to enjoy the benefits of United-rest on the uniform American Sabbath, to which they unitedly conform.

But obviously more beneficial results will follow the united observance of the same day's rest, especially where different Calendars are used by nations adjoining each other in Europe, Asia and Africa—in some of which countries 2 or more Calendars are in use, e.g., 4 in Egypt, Syria, Turkey, but

more in India. See page 91.

Now that this most simple calendar is practically available, the Chinese government will not long continue our confusingly varying months which will expose their government to criticism for causing avoidable confusion by patchwork, needing

another change in 1919.

Our months oddly vary in their length, February usually having twenty-eight days, but in leap year twenty-nine; our fourth, sixth, ninth and eleventh months have thirty days each, whilst scattered in between them, without "odd" or "even" order, are the other seven months with thirty-one days each. That jumble is increased by the unstable factor of ever-varying split portions of weeks, beginning and ending our months as demonstrated on page 62; and the shifting factor that throughout every one of our twelve unequal months the week-day names are confusingly moved forward one day in ordinary and two days in leap years. The result is that

we cannot truly realise what a month is, though we work and pay by the month, and every month's output of labor differs from that of the month before or after it and from the corresponding month last year.

That is neither good enough nor sufficiently practical for Oriental nations, who know that 28 per cent. of the world's population using Gregorian calendars and the 10 per cent. using the Julian (Greek) calendars are being compelled by national and business requirements to improve them into one International Fixed Almanak.

That name is too long for practical use. The phrase "International Fixed Calendar" is longer. The words calendar and almanak are generally confused, but should be distinguished, because the calendar records our list of day-names carrying throughout every year, whereas the almanak is the permanent register of fixed positions for the same numbered days in every year, as shown by the plate displaying the four quarters of the British Clog Almanak.

I submit that it would be better to discard both the words calendar and almanak as names for our list of days each year, and more concisely use the name "Yearal" to express the idea of the year and denote the proposed fixed register for all the days in all future years, just as our American cousins replaced the two words "post card" by the simpler "postal." That may be more by the simpler "postal." That may be more acceptable to other nations now using the general term "year," especially the 62 per cent. of humanity who (vide par. 16) do not use Christian calendars and therefore are less inclined to accept Christmas Day, 1916, as the date for initiating the "Diesnon" method to secure a fixed calendar.

New Year's Day, December 31st, Christmas Day, or the "Shortest Day" (Dec. 22) would do for the "Skip-day," but the best results would be gained by selecting December 22nd as the right day to end all years

with nature's year.

It may be tactful and helpful to cordiality amongst all nations if Europeans would, as per paragraph 13, gracefully accept Nature's year's end on December 22, 1918, as the "akip-day" date to end the use of our clumsy day-changing calendars by observing that day internationally as "Skip-day" in non-Christian nations and as Christmas Day among the 38 per cent. of humanity using Christian calendars. The next day, Sunday, would then be New Year's Day, 1919. What would otherwise be the 23rd to 31st December would then be readjusted as the first nine days in January, as Pope Gregory the Great similarly readjusted ten days by his reform in

Proposed Location of the "Skip-day" at the Year's-closing Day.

the year 1582. Then in all following years the permanent sequence in the proposed style of 28-day months would be 4 fixed weeks in each of 13 months ending Saturday, December 28th, with the Skipday following as a duplicate Saturday on Nature's "shortest day," as the last day of the "year-al" or permanent year almanak. The Skip-day and New Year's Day should be prescribed as International Public Holidays by Calendar Reform Legislation.

Such a transfer of the last nine days of December to form the first nine days of January would cause persons whose birth-days recurred, or contracts expired, during those days, to keep their ages, etc., true by adopting their corresponding new dates from the Permanent Comparative Calendar the International Conference would in that case arrange to circulate 9 days in advance of those tabled and exemplified on the circular Calendars herein, and on page 76.

The six days now intervening between Christmas and New Year would by that method be diverted and Christmas thus linked direct to New Year's Day. Some persons think that the increased convenience resulting from that arrangement might tend to curtail the combined holidays, but the extra day usually granted for Boxing Day or New Year's celebrations would surely be continued on the Monday, so then the permanent holidays would always be together as Saturday afternoon, Skip-day, (as Christmas Day on December 29th corresponding to our December 22nd), New Year's Day and Celebration Day.

Several practical advantages would result from that course, especially as Saturday has so rapidly grown in popularity during recent years, e.g., the majority of all nations, womenkind, could better prepare for these greatest yearly feasts and festivities when Saturdays rather than Sundays thus precede.

The Celebration Day following New Year would be highly appreciated by the Chinese, Japanese and other Oriental nations, whose most joyous New Year's holidays would, like those of Europeans, thus be expanded by being linked up with the happiest week-end closing every year.

That would be better than the present cleavages of both Christmas and New Year's weeks now recurring during three consecutive years, alternating with three later linked with week-ends which when Christmas and New Year's Days come on Sunday cause more loss of holidays.

But the greatest advantage would arise through the Galendar being thus perfected in fixed form for all mankind for all time. Christmas Day as a duplicate Saturday would give greater freedom for joyous use, and the preceding Saturday as Christmas Eve would help to extend the holidays.

Similarly Christmas Day when calebrated by our Scotch friends as New Year's Eve would be helped by New Year's Day being observed as the Sabbath, though they may reasonably prefer to begin with New Year's Day as a non-Sunday "Skip-day." But all should with greater reason conform to what the best wisdom of the majority at the International Conference decides, even if that decision is not unanimous, as we hope it will be. True reformers are not laying any rigid plan before them, but prefer to fairly consider all and maturely select the best.

But before even a Preliminary Conference of advocates can wisely decide upon the best recommendations to make, it is absolutely necessary that the leading advo-cates should all receive ample notice to formulate the best suggestions or amendments from every nation. For example, it might be advisable to facilitate astronomical calculations by hopping back to days from Jan. 1st to Dec. 22nd to begin New Year then.—The writer, after 19 years' frank study of this great problem concerning the needs of not only Europeans and Americans, but also of the teeming millions in Asia and Africa who desire our consideration, respectfully submits that the proposed Reform would best be initiated by locating Sunday, the "Shortest-day" of the year 1918, on Dec. 22nd, as the "Skip-day" or "Year-day," to free us from all the numerous and incessant Calendar inconveniences which now daily impede all day-fixing arrangements.

If the final Conference considers it inadvisable to revert to Nature's year-end on
Dec. 22nd, then the simplest plan, I submit,
would be to adopt the original proposal to
establish the week-day order of the fifty-two
weeks of the year 1916, divided in thirteen
months of four weeks each, except that
Sunday, December 31st, could better be
permanently replaced by Skip-day as a duplicate Saturday and public holiday. That
365th day of the year would manufacture
recur between the 52nd Saturday of every
following year and the first Sunday beginning all new years. Thus the present
anomaly of a 53rd week-day ending each
ordinary year, and two 53rds in leap-years,
would be abolished. Sunday would in that
way begin all new years, months and weeks
concurrently.

Each nation would then use Skip-day to celebrate both its national year-and festival and by mutual international greetings promote peace and goodwill. LIST OF PERSONS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE, TO FURTHER THE REFORM OF THE CALENDAR, AT LIEGE (BELGIUM) ON THE 27th, 28th AND 29th MAY, 1914

The invitations were sent out on the 6th May, 1914, by the Bourse Industrielle de Liege, at the request of M. Canon-Legrand, President of the International Chambers of Commerce, holding their biennial meeting during June, 1914, in Paris, after those International Chambers of the whole world had voted, at both their 1910 and 1912 meetings, unanimously in favor of Calendar Reform.

The prominence of the Belgian advocates of this worthy cause, is highly creditable to that gallant little Nation's discernment.

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Emile Rosenkrans, Pasteur, Wald	Germany
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Alexander Philip, Brechin	Scotland
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ANALYSIS OF PART INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION AT THE LIEGE PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE IN MAY, 1914

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			Percentages of the Repre-	International Percentage
NATIONS INVITED:	Promitties	Representa-	omtatiyes	1,750 millions population
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Belgium	7	2	23.0	4
France	40		20.5	2.3:
Germany	85	7	17.9	3.7
Great Britain	43	6	15.4	2.5
Greece	3	3	2.6	.3
Holland	6	1	2.6	-3
Spain	20	1	2.6	1.1
Switzerland		4	10.2	.3
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Total Possible Attenders.	100	37	94-8	10.7
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INVITED TOO LATE:				
South America	100	1	2.6	2.9
North America	133	3	2.6	7.7
Total invited	373	39	100%	21.3
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NATIONS NOT INVIT	ED:			
Austria	50	nil	mil	2.9
Italy	35	nil	nil	2.0
Russia	135	ail	nil	7.7
Other nations of Europe		nil	nil	2.3
Other nations of Oceania		nil	nil	-4
Other nations of Africa		nil	nil	8.0
Other nations of Asia		nil	nil	55.4
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Total not invited		nil	nil	78.7
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Minimum total unrepresented. 1,562 millions, who constitute at least 89.3 per cent. of the total estimated population of 1,750 millions needing world-wide considerations Of these there may possibly be about 150 millions in Africa, etc., without Calendars.

The first cross-line Total of Possible Attenders ends by shewing that only 20.7% of the world's population were invited, nearly all from the Northwest Quarter of Europe, and as the star and others did not receive their invitations in time, it is evident that loss than 10% of the popule concerned were represented—leaving more than 90% of humanity was sented, to later decide whether they was beform to the recommendations of that too hurriedly summoned conference at Liega.

The International Almanak Reform League

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The International Almanak Reform League much regret that sufficient actice was not given to permit any representatives from North or Bouth America, Asia, Africa, or Americalasia to attend, with the useful practical data and evidence they would otherwise have been able to bring to further this meet needed world-wide reform.

That regret is more widespread because such eminent advocates of the easiest Linear arrangement in 13 menths of 4 weeks at Sandford Fleming, of Ottawa, Canada, and Don Carlos Hesse, of Iquique (Chill) for South America, have been excluded, although it will be later found that most of the 90% of the world's representatives thus excluded will prefer to use the 13 months "Yearal" as outlined

Unfortunately the leadequate notice for the

Liege meeting led some of the latter to fear that a misleading or premature vote in favor of 18 months might be obtained at Liege before the vast 90% majority of humanity have opportunity to record their preference for the 13 months of 4 weeks each.

It is sincerely hoped that the European representatives at Liege will frame their recommendations with due regard to the needs of the nine-fold more numerous populations who will arrange to have more adequate and timely representation at the final Official Confurence of International Representatives, who will ultimately decide the best form of permanent Calendar for universal use.

The International Almanak Reform League

The International Almanak Reform League have always striven to ensure that the proposed Calendar Reform be made complete and final in the form that will be best for all humanity, including the highest civilizations of

The International Lungue, while always giving opportunity for the advocates of all phases of Calc. Jar Reform to expound their views, desire to impress upon all renders the supreme importance of advocating only the best of the methods which the most experienced Calandar Reformers are able to submit for the final consideration of the forthcoming Official International Conference. national Conference.

Approximate Distribution of the Grester Calendar Users proparing to 2 and Representatives to the International Confer North and South America are the only Continents using one uniting Calendar. Their populations, drawn from all Nations, can best as representatives from every nation to adopt the best form of Fixed Calendar they can arrange. The "Years" is upheld by Nepsume and Fasher



The Arcoplanes directed to the Proposed Conference at Panama, indicate their Calendar Terripories across their wings, with dates now commencing each Calendar, and their millions of uners lettered across their radders—except that the age millions ming Calendars are grouped together on the "nacred flying carpet." The Gregorian is used by ass millions in W. Europe and 196 in Americ of 453 millions. Its predecement, the Julian (Jan. 14) is still used by 151 millions in Ressia, Greece and the Slav Committee of Sec

Some Resease Why We Should Adopt the More Convenient "YEARAL"

s. EVERY-MORNING, directly we wake, the imperfections of our changing Calendars force our minds to recall some incident in yesterday's experience to remember what day it was, and our minds to recall some incident in yesterday's experience to remember what day it was, and thereby deduce what morning it is, wishing it may be funday for longer rest. A normal life of so years is burdened by 18,250 of these calendar werries which are only part of the ponalty we waste in mental energy, because our ancestral Almanak-makers failed to discover this "fikip-day" remody to perfect our System of Timo-recorders (indicated by Front-plate A) to show us the day's same as we look at our watches to see whether it is "time to rise."

2. EVERY-DAY we likewise repeatedly have to heart for the Calendar's drifting week-day-names for monthly dates, when dating letters, choosing days for work or appointments, etc. A giance at the "Day-pointer's" position on the clock can save those perplexing efforts after this Reform in carried into effect, about 1918. Thence-forward one will always know by the dates, the week-days upon which dated eventue occurred.

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3. EVERY-NIGHT Calendar defects cause trouble when selecting days and dates for social gatherings, meetings of Societies, Unions, Clubs, Companies and other assemblies, through the changing of weekday names necessitating such descriptions as "the first Tuesday after the first Monday," "the first and third Wednesday"—instead of the clearly defined permanent dates the "Yearal" would indicate as the 3rd, 4th and sith day respectively in every month every year.

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4. EVERY-LADY locating her "At-home"
days is forced to write or print such repetitions so "first Wednesday," causing her visitors to search their Calendars to see "on what date it falls this month." With the "Yeara!" in use, falls this month." With the "Yeara" in use, a dainty 4 on the card would always suffice for all using that day—as for the "second Thursday" and so on—awing trouble for all concerned. The vital 280-days'-period of child-bearing would mature to months from the date nature indicates.

5. EVERY - HOUSEWIFE and HOUSE-KEEPER maintaining a family or Boarders, suffers inconvenience and sometimes distress when 5 market days or Saturdays occur in one when 5 market days or Saturdays occur in one month (as they do 4 times each year), causing either reluctant requests for "more money," borrowing, or gradual drifting into Arears and Debt. We should not allow the vagaries of our Calendars to impose those indignities on our home-brightmers. We need equal menths of 5 wome-prignteners. We need equal months of & works to equaline times of Rarning and Spending—to case and brighten the lives of workers.

6. EVERY-PERSON drawing Monthly Pay is then placed at similar disadvantage because our months vary from as to 32 days long. The danger confronting under-paid Girls who have to pay for Room and Board when the 5th Saturdays recur, adds to those causes of tempta-tion and Debt, which more extensively and injuriously affect untold myriads of poor families who unconsciously drift into arrears with their grocery and other traders' accounts, through months being unequal, and broken irregularly by weeks.

7. EVERY-BUSINESS-MAN suffers ultimately from those Calendar-created "Bad Debts roun more carginal creation of Retailers and others in spend too freely after the 5th Saturday in a month has temporarily inflated "Cash-on-hand." Some Bankrupteies and much Lose result. The fractions of wests split between months, where weekly and bi-weekly wages are paid, impose impediments retarding the accer-tainment of Costs of Production and Monthly Balances. They really add to the east of living. Business-people who pay wages every 2 weeks are inconvenienced when 3 pay-days secur in one month, as in January, 1914, when those who paid on Thursdays, Fridays or Seturdays had to pay 6 weeks' wages (for 45 days) out of 31 days' income, straining credit at their Banks. S. EVERY BUSINESS, however large, is injured by our Calendar's unequal months drifting 24 to 27 work-days into different months, as inner described under par. 22, where the Tables printed and referred to prove that the Calendar-caused fluctuations of Earnings on British Railways encoded \$5,550,000, thus intensifying gambling on Stock Exchanges for such extra profits. 9. EVERY NATION experiences the above disadvantages and more, causing incosant, but avoidable references to Calendars; altering datus for nocombling Legislatures, Law Courts, Colleges, Schools, etc.; necessitating needless Proclamations moving Public Holidays, Fairs, Market-days, etc., and retarding that greater circulation of money throughout the community, which will come to benefit all, when months of a weeks bring regular periods for every purpose. ALL THE ABOVE INDICATED TROUBLE IS CAUSED BY THOSE TWIN-DEFECTS DEMONSTRATED on pages 54 and 66—THE UNEQUAL MONTHS PROJECTING BEYOND THE 52 WEEKS EACH YEAR, THUS ALTERING ALL FOLLOWING "DAY-NAMES," TILL IT IS SEPARATED AS "SKIP-DAY."

The established Churches and people generally are also inconvenienced by Easters jumping as depicted on page 59 and detailed below:

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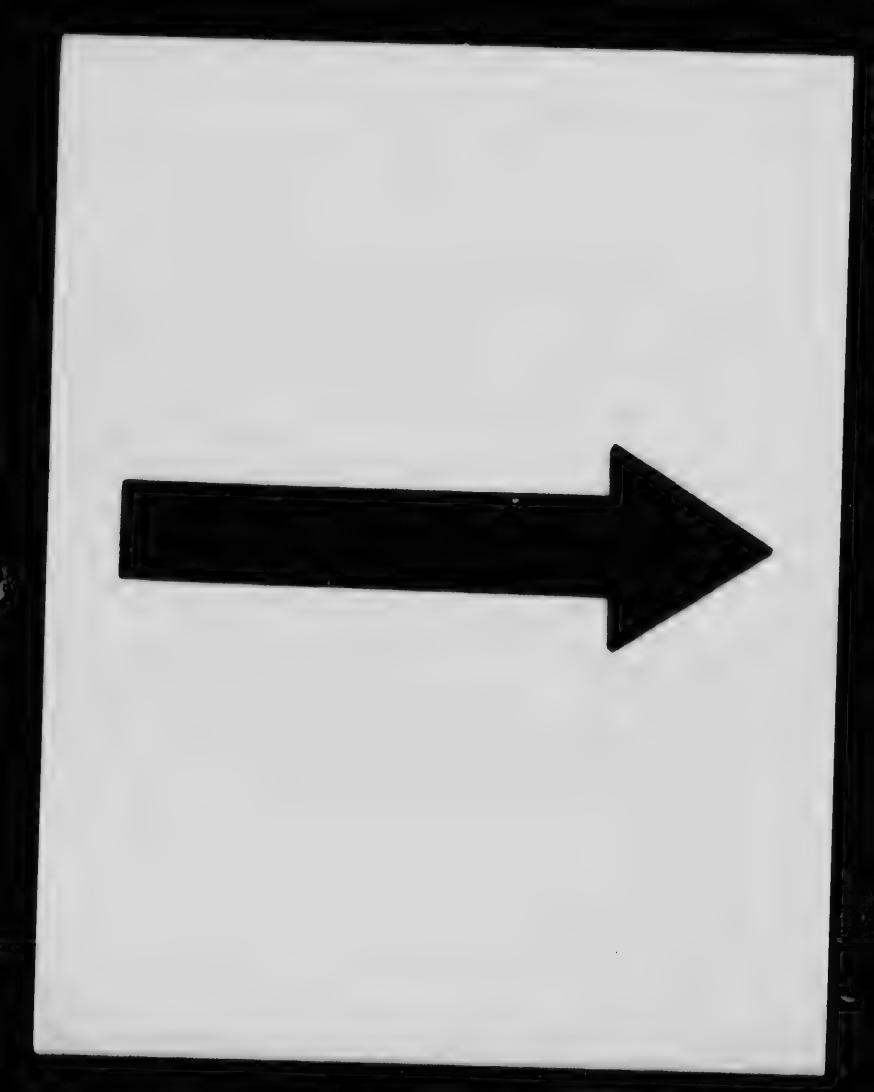
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Why should these Festivals leap forward 19 or 2 days (3 weeks) on the Calendar about every third Year, and flounder along this 35 days range through the full Moon's wanderings after the fixed Equinox? There is no sound reason for this absurdity which makes all these recurring Festivals untimely and unreal.



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(c) Whilst nearly all are agreed that every month should begin with Sunday and end with Saturday, there is some difference of opinion regarding the orly two methods by which that advantage can be permanently established, as readers will find compared opposite.

The "equal method," which is (4) gaining most adherents, simply applies February, 1914, as the best "standard month of twenty-eight days" to measure all months in complete weeks exactly alike, by diverting the thirteenth week of each quarter into one thirteenth month of four weeks to be inserted between June and July—probably to be named "Sol."

That location would preserve all our better ideas of months and seasons, because the last two weeks of June and the first two weeks of July would become the new month, locating mid-summer. That season being the longest and most constant of all, no one would feel the change except as a benefit, because the re-adjustment as gauzed by the first day of each present month would taper off to nothing at the year's end from the fourteen days diverted from both June and July to the new month "Sol," as evidenced by the gradual ascent of the step-bars marking the 1st of each new month on the "Combined Calendar"

(e) The "unequal method" requires

five complete weeks to be allotted to March, June, September and December after allowing four weeks to each of other 8 months.

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COMPARISON OF METHODS A,B,C,D & E

Respectively Proposed to Simplify the Months.

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Each of the seried be an improvement on our present shifting system, but D is submitted as the easiest and best of all.

The Academic "B" Method would not provide the Requisite Conveniences

Some European Academies appear to prematurely favor the following variation of the "B" method suggested on Table C's comparisons of the alternatives outlined in my 1909 paper read before the Royal Society of Canada, as reproduced on the preceding page, with the black rules, etc., added down the side.

The "B" section thereon displays the first 3 months as a typical 91 days Quarter of the year. The 13 weeks of each Quarter-year are suggested for division into 3 months, by arranging 30 days in both the 1st and 2nd months, with 31 days ending the 3rd month only with the last day of the week as Saturday—New Year's Day was in that case provisionally outlined as Sunday

The academic variation suggested leaves intact the 30 days for each of the two first months of each Quarter of the year, and the 31 days for March, June, September and December, but would end only these 4 months with the week on Sunday.

Its advocates thus suggested that all weeks should begin on Monday, instead of the Sunday now recognized as the 130 day of the week—in order to locate New Year's Day as Monday.

The International Reform League has not been able to trace any adequate cause or justification for that proposed change in the beginning of the week, which would raise entirely needless difficulties, without compensating advantages.

We need only refer to one practical inconvenience that would handicap our wives, mothers and housekeepers most—just at the time they need most consideration, whilst preparing their best for the home-feasts and joys of Christmas and New Year's Day.

That academic, unpractical scheme to fix Christmas and New Year's Day as Mondays, would unfairly compel housewives and many others to buy earlier and do most of their cooking on Saturday (or break Sunday's Rest), inflicting staler food on our digestions when being most heavily taxed at the Year's-end.

That is not fair to our good folks at home and is not likely to be accepted by the Official International Conference.

Some of the academicians of Europe claim in preliminary conference that the nations could thereby gain an equal number of working days in each month.

But while that technically appears to be the case, it is misleading and only of small advantage, because the work-day-values of those working-days differ in each of the three months. That difference is too much to be acceptable to the commercial authorities who virtually predominate in all the great nations—and form the controlling forces as President Hadley of Yale University (U. S. A.) in 1903 so tersely stated when concluding with the words: "This reform with its months of 4 weeks will surely come, because it is a commercial necessity."

Here it is highly important to emphasize the fact that the advantage obtainable through the "4-week-month" fitting all months as easily and completely as the weekly 7 days now fit current weeks, will continuously give far more practical benefits and conveniences to every human being in home-life, social and commercial affairs—than the combined, fixing of "Skip-day," Easter and the proposed Academic arrangement of 30, 30 and 31 day months per Quarter Year.

The latter necessitates 5 Mondays and Tuesdays in January, April, July and October; 5 Wednesdays and Thursdays in February, May, August and November; also 5 Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in March, June, September and December.

That, we respectfully submit, would foolishly perpetuate the present jumble of unequal months in but trivially improved form—and leave the multitude of people in every nation without clear ideas as to what the length of a month really is—because the broken weeks between 2 out of every 3 of the Academic months would be left to baffle the practical people and handicap workers in such ways as the following:

I. All persons then paid monthly would, out of every 2nd months' salary or wages, have to purchase their 5th week-end's provisions and pay for their 5th weekly lodgings, rooms or rent of houses, etc., in every 3rd month.

2. All workers paid half-monthly would be worse inconvenienced at the end of every 3rd month, and further during each triplet of months would have to draw their mid-monthly pays up to Monday the 15th of the 1st months; to Wednesday the 15th of the 2nd months, and up to Friday the 15th in all the 3rd months.

Quarter Years can be Equalized in Year of 13 Months

3. All who are paid every 2 weeks would have to be paid up to the 13th and 27th of the 1st months, the 11th and 25th of the 2nd months, and up to the 9th and 23rd of the 3rd months—leaving 1 week's pay hanging fire over the end of each 3rd month ending the Quarter Years.

4. All employees paid weekly would have a days overhanging each 1st month and 4 days over each 2nd month of each

Quarter Year.

With the exception of the latter, all the above would prejudically affect the home-life of those myriads of workers, and including the latter would cause much needless trouble in commercial accounting, ascertaining the costs of production, etc.

That extra trouble ...uses extra cost and heaps a little more on the Cost of Living.

Most of the employees in the heavier trades cease work about noon on Saturdays, while others, such as coal-miners, seldom work at the mines on Saturday. On the other hand Retail Traders and Storekeepers on Saturdays generally do more than double the volume of business transacted on Thursdays.

Those and many more practical facts disprove the alleged Equality in the Earning and Spending Values on the broken months those Academicians voted for without sufficient practical experience to enable them to wisely recommend those

artificial months.

The mere counting of the same number of working-days of different values can only mislead theorists who have not been able to fully consider the far-reaching advantages of the proposed permanent months of 4-weeks each for all the great world-wide purposes for which they are

urgently needed.

It is because the easier adoption of the 4-week-month would entirely remove all those and very many other objectionable inconveniences, and also save much valuable time and labor now wasted, that the International Almanak Reform League feel it to be their duty to themselves, their children and humanity at large—to advocate the early adoption of the 13-months' year, with a new-month between June and July because they believe it is the best in every way, for general purposes in all nations.

The best authorities are agreed that the insertion of the new month there could be as easily effected as was the 29th of February in Leap-years. No more inconvenience would result, but on the contrary far

greater calendar conveniences and facilities would be won for us all to enjoy every day.

There would be a slight difficulty at the outset in readjusting the monthly rate of salaries now paid regardless of the number of working days, but these would easily be computed once for all time, re per Computation Tables on pages 89 and 90. Twelve divided by thirteen equals .923, so that \$100 per month for twelve months now would be \$92.30 per month under the new system of thirteen months of four complete weeks, giving regular payments to all and avoiding the fifth week-end expenses which now cause housewives, and all who have to pay weekly for rent, food, etc., needless trouble and some anxiety when five Saturdays occur in 30 or 31 day months.

QUARTER YEARS EQUALIZED

A few Europeans, who at first thought that to keep quarterly periods equal for insurance, etc., it would be advisable to include the thirteenth week of each quarter as a fifth week in March, June, September and December, were agreeably surprised on finding that the completion of all the quarter-years would be more conveniently met with the week-end as per Table D.

Then every "Quarter" would be equal, whereas now they range from 90 to 93 days, with their working days varying from 75 to 78 days, making a difference in manufacturing output of four per cent., although such "fixed charges" as rent, insurance, etc., remain constant for every Quarter of

the year.

Comparison of British working days in

the years 1902-3-4:

Quarters-	1902	1903	1904
Ending March 31	75	77	78
" June 30	77	75	75
September 30 _		76	77
December 31 -	78	78	78
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Ending June 30	152	152	153
" December 31 _	155	154	155
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The number of days in half-years and years accounts for the calendar fluctuations of business, dividends and the resulting Stock Exchange gambling for "differences" as explained on pages 34 and 44 of the Rational Almanak, and evidenced by Table E.

Further, the fact that monthly payments for salaries, accounts, etc., are many thousand times more numerous than the odd "quarter" charges has lead the leaders of business to urge the universal adoption of the proposed "Yearal."

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TABLE E. The following comparison of Calendar-created differences in the Estaings of typical small shop-keeper, colliery company and railway company demonstrate the inequalities between earting and spending time, which the suggested reform would make exactly comparable.

To show how the variation of week-day assets for yearly debate, Easter, etc., affect the estraings of abop-acepers, massificataries and Railway Companion, efc., further Table is appended. WEEKLY, BONTHLY and MALFYEARLY GROSS EARINGS

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THE PROPOSED "SKIP-DAY" MAY MOVE SUNDAY

The Chief Questions the Official International Conference will assemble to decide, are indicated on the cartoon printed upon the back-cover.

As the contemplated insertion of "Skip-Day" may move Sunday,-and some discussion may arise concerning the proposed 13th month, the following notes are appended for readers whose time for

research is limited.

While any 12 months arrangement ending where Dec. 31st now closes the year, might, by inserting the "Skip-Day" forthwith secure a Fixed Calendar, that might not be absolutely final and universally adopted, as would the year ending with Nature's on Dec. 22nd, it would (with the exception of world-wide unity and international accounts) bring nearly all the other practical advantages reformers are striving to permanently win for humanity's daily convenience.

There are many business advantages that would result from having a fixed and easier working calendar for all the 364 days, plus that last day of each year thus freed for stocktaking and the final closing of all wages with other accounts, etc., concurrently with the ends of week, month, quar-

ter, half-year and year.

As odd extremists have falteringly feared that some imaginary disadvantage might result if the "Skip-day" as a duplicate Saturday was inserted at the year's end and thus moved Sunday to the next day, the International Conference may advise that the "Skip-day" be reserved for "Rest" as

But its observance as a duplicate Saturday is more likely, because most people prefer to have Saturday's freedom to do whatever they deem best on that proposed year-ending holiday, on which all who prefer to rest or go to church should be free to do as they please. They can then be all the more happy to rejoice in observing the next day as the Sunday beginning the New Year.

Practically all enlightened people know that when they travel from one part of the Earth to another they change their Sundays, as indicated by the page 69 Cartoon of Standard Time around the World at 6 p.m. on Sunday in England, which portrays the fact that while British citizens are at Church on Sunday their relatives in America, Australia and elsewhere may be at work, as part of a workday is current with them at that precise time.

Further, the fact is well-known that all voyagers across the Pacific Ocean, who cross the "Standard Time Line" shown upon the following photograph of that side of the Globe, "lose one day when travelling Westbound, and gain one day when cross-



The "STANDARD-TIME-LINE" dividing the World's Days down the Central Pacific (180th) Meridian.

The removal of Sunday by one International "Skip-day" or "Rest-day" being inserted each year, will not change the Weather; but it will result in more mutual consideration between all Nations and Creeds, thus tending to establish permanent Peace and good-will. In that quiet way it will help forward the best interests of humanity.

ing Eastbound," yet neither the advance of Sunday by one day, nor its being deferred one day, have had any adverse effect upon anyone.-Nor does anyone dream of quibbling about the change.

Some good persons may be at first inclined to think that some disadvantage to the observance of Sunday might arise through the proposed insertion of the "Skip-day" as a duplicate Saturday International Holiday between the last Saturday and Sunday of each year-because that would alter by one day the weekly recurrence of Sunday.

But when the more balanced minds among those temporary hesitants reflect that it is impossible for them—or even the most enlightened aggregation of scholars or historians-to now either distinguish or locate the particular day on which the first week began, they will realize how foolish they would be to discredit any sect or creed of worshippers by trying to stand on such a mere imaginary ground of shifting objection,

The only historic fact those few extremists among Christians can plead is, that after their Lord and Master's death a few early Christians devoutly changed their "Day of Rest" one day from the timehonored Jewish Sabbath, with far less warrant than an International Congress can and will soon do again, to benefit humanity.

How many changes were made before, or how many days missed, can never be

UNITED PEACE and REST on ANY 7th DAY constitute SUNDAYS

It is not advisable to neither will time or space admit of here discussing the pharisaic and utterly futile controversy as to whether our current Sundays recur on any particular 7th multiple of any of the 7 days of the Biblical record of Creation, which vide Genesis 2, v. 3 reads, "And God blessed the Seventh Day and sanctified it, because that in it He rested from all His Work."

It is that rest for humanity, on any 7th day, which gives all Sabbaths alike their pre-eminence, whether observed on our Sunday, or by the more fervent Mahommedans and other sects of equally earnest God-fearing worshippers who now celebrate their Sabbaths on our Fridays—or by the Jews and their compatriots who believing themselves to be the race special chosen by God, adhere to their original Sabbaths still celebrated on our Saturdays. although they through Moses derived their week of 7 days and Sabbath from the Egyptians merely moving Saturday from the Egyptian first day of the week, to be the Jewish last day of the week.

All races and creeds under Heaven should therefore unite to annually celebrate the closing day of each year as an International Holyday or "Rest-day" to promote Rest, Peace and Goodwill throughout mankind, and welcome the change that will enable the noblest people of every creed on earth to unite on the same day as Sabbath at least once in every 7 years to mutually worship the Eternal Creator in

harmony,

The world-wide benefits of such re-unions, varying with each 7 years, will naturally and surely lead to blending the worship of all humanity into one glorious united Sabbath, wherein all will most heartily unite with the Psalmist in singing that noblest verse the most inspiring of poets wrote and taught all Mahommedans. Israelites and Christians alike, to sing in both Bethlehem and Jerusalem (where all now hold their Sunday worship in the same churches on our Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays respectively) from Psalm 118,

v. 24:
"This is the Day which the Lord hath

made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Let not the rulers of any section of either the Christian churches nor any other of the too many sects, warp their fields of usefulness as did the narrow-minded ruler of the synagogue when their Lord Jesus Christ helped up the infirm woman, when (vide Luke 13, v. 14) "the ruler of the "synagogue answered with indignation, be-"cause that Jesus had healed on the Sab-

"bath day, and said unto the people: There "are 6 days in which men aught to work; "in them, therefore, come and be healed, "and not on the Sabbath day."

Even our medical men would not dare to hold to that! Such reactionary and intolerant views concerning any special day disappear like the mist the rising sun dispels alike on every day however named by us. That they had no weight with that greatest authority on Christianity, St. Paul, is evident from his greatest of Epistles, as when writing to the Romans in Chapter 14, concerning how to treat weaker brethren who should not be con-demned for indifferent things, he thus writes in verses 5 and 6 emphasizing his breadth of mind on this particular point of which day shall be the Sabbath:

"5. One man esteemeth one day above "another: and another esteemeth every day "alike. Let every man be fully persuaded "in his own mind."

"6. He that regardeth the day, regard-"eth it unto the Lord; and he that re-"gardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth

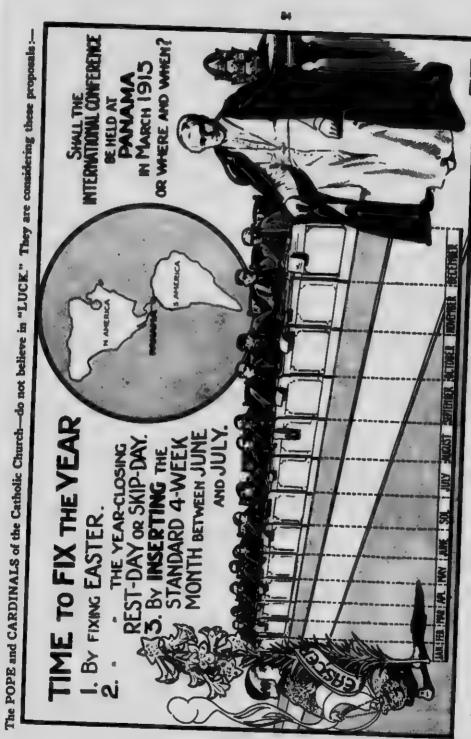
"not regard it."

Finally it will be evident to all reasonable readers, who rightly consider the page 69 cartoon, that even people of the same religion amidst the great populations on different continents, "now have to use parts of their homeland week-days as Sundays whenever they migrate either Eastwards or Westwards as, for instance, British people or other Europeans who go to Australia, New Zealand, Canada or the United States or countries of South America.

Yet no one even from His Holiness the Pope downwards can truly say either that anyone thus migrating has been prejudiced by that partial divergence from their homeland Sunday times, or that they will be in anywise prejudiced if the extra day's rest is given to toilers in all nations on the closing day of the year, and Sunday is thereby moved one day to promote greater convenience and blessing to all humanity.

As a few superstitious people have a slight misgiving that it might be "unlucky" to have 13 months in the year, -even if such months are equal,—we will dispel that fading thought by the most prominent facts concerning the world-wide-use of 13.

Such facts as the 5 following, culled from a vast number, convince sensible people that there is not the slightest element of justification for the mistaken belief a few odd persons lingeringly hold in the alleged unluckiness of the number 13:



The 13 New Cardinals Money Bearin, Seathal Chaten, Bettinger, Overneet, created at the Vatican on May 25th, 1914, demonstrate the fact that the oldest, greatest and most cosmopolitan of Christian Churches does not regard the number 13 as any more "unlucky" than we regard the Storekeeper who sells 13 oranges per dozen (12), or when we play with cards having 13 in each of the 4 suits, or have lived through our 13th year of life, or use the 13 weeks we always have in each Quarter, to form the 13 months per Year. The fact that one of those 33 newly elected Cardinals (Cheisa) has since become Pope, dispels any idea of the number 33 being "unlucky" for him.

FUTILITY of DECRYING the NUMBER 13 as UNLUCKY

(1). The United States of America began their independence as the original 13 States, whose people have been the luckiest on Earth ever since. So complete is the confidence of the citizens of that most energetic nation of the world in the good luck those 13 States brought them, that they are now deciding to stud them as the 13 central stars to form the centre-piece of their proposed new national flag. Around those 13 stars are to be encircled the less glorious stars representing the newer States since linked up around the thus exalted 13 stars, which have always been the gems in the "Great Scal" of the United States, whose more than 100,000,000 citizens are delighted to get those 13 sealed stars imprinted on their Title Deeds for land, etc.

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GREAT SEAL of the UNITED STATES

It is a remarkable coincidence that there are 13 constituent parts of the likewise lucky Canada, corresponding to those 13 original States of the Union, thus:

United States
Connecticut
Delaware
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Maryland
Massachusetts
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New York
North Carolina
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
Virginia

CANADA
Alberta
British Columbia
Manitoba
New Brunswick
Newfoundland
Northwest Territory
Nova Scotia
Ontario
Punce Edward Island
Quebec
Saskatchewan
Ungava (Labrador)
Yukon

(2). The "British Empire" is the greatest and luckiest empire mankind have ever known—yet it has 13 letters in its name, and consists of these 13 constituent parts: England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales; Canada, Australasia, South Africa; India,

Egypt, East African, West African, East Indian and West Indian Colonies.

Similarly there are 13 countries in Asia and 13 in South America; but the number 13 has nothing whatever to do with making them either lucky or unlucky.

(3). His Holiness the Pope, at Easter 1914, created 13 Cardinals in one groand those 13 are considered by the adherents of that most cosmope tan annumerous church organization in Christendom to be the luckiest of men—one of the 13 last elected was created Pope at the next Convocation.

(4). The many people who use playing "cards" nearly always have "10 spot co-ds" plus Jack, Queen, King, totalling 13 in all 4 suites—yet that number 13 (which was derived from the 13 weeks in each Quarter of the "x weeks' year) does not have the slightest effect upon the "luck" of any player, and never had, as all play with 13 cards in each suite.

(5). Every human who has attained to years of discretion has lived through the most vigor-producing 13th year of life, and been so lucky that both he and she have survived ever since to perpetuate and improve the future of the human race.

The easiest and quickest method by which we can expedite that improvement throughout every nation is to Internationally agree to universally use the simplest month of 4 complete weeks 13 times each year, as depicted in the "Yearal" frame on the back cover—and thereby make this and futu... generations luckier than all their ancestors "securing equal and permanent months with day-names fixed for greater convenience throughout all Time.

The few people who clutch at the number 12 as though it was a life-buoy will survive more conveniently on the number 13, because months will pass more equably when their lengths are equalized to 4 weeks each, as those great steamship and banking companies, who are now using 4 weeks periods for accounting, are proving by experience.

We have to use 13 weeks in each Quarter of the year; so why not use 13 equal-months with their 4 fixed weeks most conveniently quartering every month?

We British people have far too long been dominated by the number 12 as instanced by our trying to maintain justice by "holding up" juries till all 12 agree, with the result that far too many scoundrels have escaped just penalties, simply because we were too proud to acknowledge the better system of other nationalities v ho maintain better justice by deciding that the verdict of a two-thirds or more majority shall be law.

HOW PEACOCKS' PEATHERS were declared "UNLUCKY."



LADY OF THE MANOR-"John, dear, those lads and lassies have plucked out all the finest peacock feathers, and only left to the scrage. I wanted some for our vases and for our friends the Browns and Greens to decorate their drawing-rooms." "You will stop those vulgar youths from getting them, won't you, dear?"

"Hey, boys! Don't you know how UNLUCKY it is to wear peacock feathers?" [Aside to the lady]—"That's scared the girls! You'll easily keep your fine feathers now!" Inaugurated to over-awe milk-maids and plough-boys.

LUCK is a mental delusion further rem from truth and reason than the "Will-o'-the-Wisp's" misleading light deludes the laggard

going home, by in flickering spark of marsh-gas ignited spontaneously.

The number 13 has neither more nor less chance than any other number. If 2,000 peas are put into a bag, the 13th will have the same 1000th chance as any of the other 999, of being drawn out first, lest, or any int vening number.

The fact that the 13-lined-squirrel of U.S. A.

has 13 stripes, alternately spotted like the 13 "Stars and Stripes"—from which they were named by patriotic Dr. S. L. Mitchill in 1821, named by patriotic Dr. o. h. Ariestic in assau, when there happened to be 13 original States—does not diminish the good fortune of those delightful nut-secreters in New York parks, who variously have 6 to 8 body-length-stripes with 5 or 7 rows-of-spots. Vide Spermophilus in the

Gentury Dictionary.
When we recall the fact that on the 13th of May, 1865, the Confederation hostility in the Civil War was ended, and the Greater United States then unified, also that the number 13 has happened to be so conspicuously favorable in happened to be so conspicuously ravorable in United States affairs, we may see how foolish is the vanishing cry of the little 13 club of lop-minded pessimists, whose unbalanced brains evolve those foolish premonitions about 13 which by obsession they allow to obscure the sure

reasoning of mathematical figures, whether con-

cerning 13 or any other number.

The plain fact is that belief in "luck" is a symptom of distorted mind, generally impressed by weak parents during childish years, or later acquired through gambling habits from the perverse or over-awed minds of gamblers.

During the years of fearful ware and slavery preceding Julius Caesar, the masses of the ignorant people were cowered into belief in luck.

Jugurtha, King of Numidia, proved Roman leaders were bribed. The powerful and wealth-grasping governors of Roman provinces gratified their avarice by coercing Pontiffs to insert 13th months unduly to extort more wealth through that extra month's taxes.

The haphazard and arbitrary ways by which both the Jewish Sanhedrin and Roman Pontiffs before the Christian Era secretly inserted the before the Christian Era secretly inserted the 13th Lunar-month, as previously mentioned (see Index), prevents the location of the years preceding Julius Caesar's power, when excessive 13th moon-months were inserted—so the year 60 B.C. on the cartoon, is only an approximation.

But the historic fact is beyond dispute, that when Julius Caesar arose to power in 49 B.C. he found the Roman years nearly 3 months out-of-gear from the seasons. He rectified that discouraging agricultural abuse in the "Year of Confusion" (46 B.C.), then entended to 445 days.



Right Pontiff (aside to Left Colleague)—If we let these greedy pro-consuls grab such extra profits too often, by inserting the 13th moon-month at their command, the land-owners and farmers won't get crops enough to pay the tithes due to us. Rememberest thou that we suffered short rations last time we declared a moon too many in the year?

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Left Pontiff (to 3 pro-consula)—Your mighty minds know how willing we have been to meet your wishes in past years. But lo, the Gods through their Oracles have declared against your request. Did not your lands like ours suffer from shortage of crops whilst the people endured famine after former 15th moons were declared? Did not your predecessors suffer through us to you and to all men that "IT IS UNLUCKY to have 15 MOONS in the YEAR!"

Right Pontiff (aside to Left)—That's scared them and will relieve us from being used to enable selfish consuls to extort a 13th month's taxes from the people by muddling ideas of months.

Then it certainly was "unlucky" for the taxpayers thus unjustly forced to pay extra taxes. But now the permanent insertion of the 13th month of 4 weeks between June and July is the best means to surely win the equal months most needed to FIX day-names in months and years.

How easily those Calendar abuses could be How easily those Calender abuses could be perpetrated for private gain to those in power may be seen from the fact that the "Metonic Cycle" of 19 years required 13th moons to be inserted in the 3rd, 5th, 8th, 12th, 13th, 16th and 19th years, for which Meton, the Astronomer, in 453 B.C. received ovation at the Olympic Games.

But be it noted, that during following cen-turies the Roman Calendar-dictators kept the intercalation of the 13th moons secret and mystified its use by artificial deviations, such as changing the Olympiads from Full Moons to the rith day, and imposing wrong 13th months. Fhence arose the 80 days Julius Caesar adjusted.

There is no more luck in 12 than 13, as proved by the myriads of families who by putting one egg extra "for luck" place 13 under fowls hoping they will hatch out 12 and find themselves most lucky when 13 chicks appear. Similarly people in our cities induce bakers to give a 13th bun "per dozen"-thus continuously making more attractive the number 13.

During the nearly 2,000 years which have elapsed since the 13th month's unjust taxation was imposed by Roman Rulers upon taxpayers who naturally felt that the 13th exaction was rightly named "unlucky" such factors as the foregoing have almost banished the idea of "luck in numbers" from the minds of sensible people now enlightened by education and world-wide intercourse. Knowledge founded upon realities has practically swept aside the last vestige of such craven ideas as "un-luck in 13," from the minds of progressive humanity.

The great advance in religious liberty and toleration made since the harsh times of Reformation has been most powerfully helped by the colonization of America, where all Races and Creeds are "free to pursue their own happinese" as the Declaration of Independence provides. We need only instance the widespread use of that simple elevating book, "Social Worship," published by the Westminster Co., Toronto, which was originated by Sir Sandford Fleming for the use of men of all creeds whilst building the Canadian Pacific Railway, and is now used mutually by Catholics and Protestants from all the Christian Churches on board ocean ships, because the leaders of all united in selecting the hymns, prayers and scripture readings free from dogma, in words all most cordially approve.

The fact that Protestants attending Roman Catholic achools in America are not required to be present during catechism instruction emphasizes the spread of mutual consideration during the 162 years elapsed since the last European (British) Reform of the Calendar left out 11 days in 1752.

In Canada some of the most thoughtful Protestants now move their children from the Free Public Schools to pay at the Roman Catholic Seminaries because (especially in British Columbia) that simplest but greatest character moulding book, the Bible, is not allowed to be read in Public Schools.

LIBERTY AND TOLERATION NOW FACILITATE REFORM

ECCLESIASTIC AUTHORITIES ENCOURAGE REFORM

(Summarized by John C. Robertson, Kirkcaldy, Scotland)

Reports from the Holy Synod of Russia, Roumania, Servia, Montenegro and Greece, also the Patriarch of Jerusalem, were furnished to the London International Congress of Chambers of Commerce, by M. Georges Stringo, The Pirzeus, Greece, and were generally favorable to the considering of the question of Calendar Reform. Holy Synod of Russia referred to the Czar having appointed a Commission from the members of the Imperial Academy of Science to study the modifications which could be made on the Julian Calendar.

"The efforts to fix the date of Easter will not encounter serious opposition on the part of the Catholic or Protestant Churches."—From the report of the MAATSCHAPPY VAN NYVERHEID, HEAFlem, Holland, as summarised by the Lon-

don Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Grouitch, representative of the Servian Government, stated to the Congress that they were favorable to a Reform of the Calendar, so as to suppress the inconvenience arising from the existence of two differing Calendars, and that the Holy Synod of Servia was now favorable to the Reform of the Calendar being considered by all the Orthodox Churches.

'Conversation with the late Bishop of Truro, and later with other influential leaders of the Established Church and Nonconformists in England, as well as the very influential Papal Authority of the Roman Catholic Church, with whom I was privileged to discuss the matter in Rome, leads me to believe that there is a very encouraging prospect of the suggested Reform being carried into effect."-Moses B. Cotsworth, in The Rational Almanak.

M. Jouis Canon-Legrand, President of the Congress, intimated that the Belgian Minister of Foreign Affairs had written to him on 12th June, 1910, that the question of the Reform of the Calendar was being favorably considered by the Vatican Council.

The President also, during the discussion on the Calendar question, read a telegram from Switzerland, as follows: "The Conference of the Swiss Reform Churches, after discussion in their sitting today, 21st June, sends to the International Congress of Chambers of Commerce, at London, the unanimous wish to see the date of Easter fixed."

As the adoption of 13 months per year will require some use of a 13 times multiplication table and divisions, the following 3 tables are submitted for inclusion in the International Calendar Legislation, to facilitate calculations by 13, which can be appropriate the calculations of the thereby be computed more readily than ordinary calculations for 12 months are now arithmetically made by mental use of the 12 times table. These 3 tables when printed in bold type on 2 sides of a card, can be used more accurately, quickly and easily than most arithmeticians can calculate by the 13 times table, which is very easy to learn up to the 9 times limit, indicated between these tables, for all calculations re 13 months.

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CONFUSION now caused by DIFFERENT, CHANGING CALENDARS

All the various calendar systems used all over the world needlessly change week-day names for all the 365 days each year, because the now universal week of seven days was not adopted by Europeans would about \$40 pages. not adopted by Europeans until about 550 years after Augustus Caesar arbitrarily fixed the lengths of our months, quarters and half years so unequally that Europeans have never been able to form a definite equal monthly measure of time, consequently our months are inconsistent with our weeks. Yet we work and pay salaries, rents, accounts, etc. by erratic months as to 31 days long—inconveniently differing 71

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We need a permanent monthly measure of four complete weeks for business and social convenience to evenly quarter all months alike, because future time records of trading, work, appointments, etc. beyond the day are generally dependent upon whether the day of the week affixed to the required date in any month hap-pens to be Sunday or another week-day. We are therefore always forced every day to consider how following days of the month are going to be affected by their shifting week-day names. That causes needless trouble and inconvenience when making arrangements for the future, necessitates the postponement of na-tional festivities, holidays, fairs, markets and other anniversaries from their true day reg-

These and other anomalies inflicted upon us by our shifting calendars were so constantly brought to the writer's notice by the incessant references required to printed calendars, that he invented the separation of the "Skip-day" and Leap-day to secure the return of each week-day name to its four fixed weekly posiweek-day name to he four fixed weekly posi-tions in every month, as shown on the watch and clock faces inside the covers hereof, to win for humanity the many every-day con-veniences we can gain by having all weck-day names permanently fixed for all nations as they recur in future years, by simply inserting a new month of four weeks between June and July, to derive the many world-wide advantages we can afterwards enjoy by thenceforward us-ing the perpetual "Yearal" as registered on

The need for this simplification of our calendar to bring other calendar nations to unite in forming it into the easiest possible international calendar is exemplified by the following:

CAIRO, July 3.—One of the subjects which recently came up for discussion at the International Congress of Chambers of Commerce the question of a fixed Easter and the reform of the calendar-is of particular interest to Egypt for two reasons. Firstly, it was the Bishops of Alexandria, who, acting on the orders of the Nicene Council, decided every year the date on which Easter was to be celebrated, and who always sent out delegates to announce the date

It is, also, not generally known that the use of no fewer than five calendars is imposed on the inhabitants of Egypt—the Moslem, the Coptic, the Hebrew, the Julian and the Gregorian. A unification of these calendars, or some work. able arrangement, has been proposed many times, for the complications and dilemmas which

are caused by their existence are endless.

Of course, some difficulty would be found in bringing the Moslem and Jewish calendars It is high time something was done to simplify the calendars. Business houses, especially banks, would welcome such an innovation, and would heartily support any move-ment having this reform for its object, for not ment having this recorm for im object, for not only does the multiplication of religious holidays hinder business relations between Egypt and the rest of the world, but it is highly detrimental to the carrying on of business locally.

Business men visiting Egypt encounter considerable appropriate from the fact that the

Epvotian government keeps to the Moslem cal-endar and naturally celebrates its feasts, for some of which it is closed for several days, in addition to suspending work on Fridays. takes one a very long time to become accustomed takes one a very long time to become accustoment to this closing on the sixth day of the week, and even we, old residents, are continually finding ourselves brought up against a brick wall, because in making arrangements to carry out some little piece of business we have omitted to take the Moslem calendar into ac-

But the worst impediment is met with in the large financial and other establishments, which are forced to close their doors on the principal feasts of each of the five calendars. It is a reasts of each of the mye categories, unique case of the employee dictating to the employee who thus gets a long list of extra holidays. The reason for a long list of extra holidays. The reason for this forced regulation is, that as the presence of adherents of all the Eastern faiths is absolutely indispensable to every establishment in Egypt, all work would otherwise come to a standstill, as the employees would simply not put in an So the European business houses bow before the inevitable.

To have to keep an eye on the dates of the movable feasts is bad enough in countries using only the Gregorian calendar, but to have to keep five calendars going and always take into account the faith of the man, or men, with the countries of the man or men, with the countries of the cou whom you are dealing in order to be certain that one's business arrangements will not encounter some unexpected hitch, is simply too great a strain.—Pall Mall Gazette, July 18th, 1910.

The complications and inconveniences which

thus arise are incessant, and nothing but custom and an apparently universal ignorance of the extremely simple way in which these in-conveniences can be obviated could passibly account for the apparent contentment with which they have been so long accepted. Alex Philip, L.L.B., J. P. Brechin,

CHAMBERS of COMMERCE in EVERY NATION UNANIMOUSLY PRESSING THEIR GOVERNMENTS to UNITE in ADOPTING THE INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR

The CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE of the BRITISH EMPIRE, assembled in London 11th June, 1912, unanimously passed the following resolution, which the president (Lord Desborough) submitted thus:

"That in the opinion of this Congress it is desirable to establish by international agreement a fined date for Easter, and to approach the various Governments of the Empire, with a view to summaning a diplomatic official conference with the object of establishing a fixed international calendar."

The resolution, he said, was one in favor of having a fixed date for Easter and for summoning the various countries of the world to meet for the purpose of introducing a reformed calendar which was very much needed. The resolution had been placed first on the programme because it had already been passed by business men at a great many congresses. It had been unanimously passed after a long debate of three hours at a meeting of the International Chambers of Commerce of the whole world.

"It had been passed by the London Chamber of Commerce, and also at the last meeting of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom; and he hoped that the present Congress would follow the example which had already been set. He might give one or two

reasons for doing so.

"He had received an enormous number of letters from men of business, from the Bar, from schools, from Chambers of Commerce and members of the Stock Exchange, pointing out the great disturbance occurring to business generally, and to scholastic and law terms, from Easter being a date that hopped about, and which only the most learned people could hope to be able fairly to tell the date of within a week or two after a long study of the initial pages of the Prayer Book.

"The present manner of fixing Easter was not right historically, astronomically, geographically, or from any other point o view. The present method, he believed, was laid down three centuries before the Christian era by a certain gentleman called Meton. But times had progressed since then. It was also adopted by Julius Casar, who was so dead that he had even become proverbially dead-(laughter)-and it was crystallized by Pope Gregory who died in 1585.

"He could not understand why the whole year from a business point of view should be upset because a gentleman three hundred years before Christ had made those calculations, and he felt sure that as business men they must think that that, at all events, was a subject which was worthy of some international re-consideration. The festival itself, celebrating the Godden of Spring, was mainly Jewish in its origin, and was calculated on a very unscientific

"If the Congress passed the resolution they would be in good company, inasmuch as the German Reichstag had passed a resolution in favor of fixing Easter and of lution in favor of painty built, he believed, on more than one occasion. The Swiss Government, too, as was well known, were longing to call a conference on the subject, and he understood that they were waiting for Great Britain and the Empire to move in the matter. ?

"Convocation, too, had already appointed committee to inquire into it, and the Council of the Vatican and the Synods of Russia, Armenia, Servia, and Greece had sympathetically considered the subject. The Swiss Reformed Church had also expressed its approval of it. Canada had already taken up the matter, and Sir Sanford Fleming and others had expressed their views on the subject.

"He ventured to submit to that great Congress that from every point of view, even from a religious point of view, it would be most advantageous to make the great festival of Easter more in conformity with real traditions and real dates.

"There was no more reason why Easter should hop about than Christmas; in fact, it disturbed the year much more than if. Christmas hopped about, because on Easter depended Lent and the great Whitsuntide holidays, and business men, especially those connected with trade, had told him that it was most upsetting to have an uncertain holiday of this magnitude coming in the middle of the business year, and they as well as all other learned and business professions would certainly welcome a conference of the nations of the world which would reform the calendar and fix the date for Easter within simple and reasonable limits." (Cheers.)

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The INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS of CHAMBERS of COMMERCE and COMMERCIAL and INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS
assembled at BOSTON, U.S.A., on September 25th, 1912,
UNANIMOUSLY passed the following RESOLUTION:

"The Congress renews the Resolution which it passed at the preceding session in London in 1910, in favor of the Establishment of a Fixed date for Easter and of a uniform Calendar."

The three unanimous Resolutions were:

z. It is desirable to establish a Fixed International Calendar.

s. It is desirable to establish by International Agreement a Fixed Date for Easter.

3. The Congress instructs the Permanent Committee to invite one of the Governments to convoke a Diplomatic Official Conference with the object of establishing a Fixed I ate for Easter and a Fixed International Calendar.

There was an entirely harmonious discussion, from which the following parts are reprinted as being of special interest:

M. Louis Canon-Legrand (President), from Mons, Belgium, said:

"In 1907 the variability of Easter "which can extend 35 days, was discussed "by us.—Considerable inconvenience is "occasioned in Commercial Life, in the "School Sessions, &c .- If Easter falls in "March, it causes a Ruined Season in cer-"tain industries."

"At the Congress of London, two years "ago, this question was discussed thor-"oughly, as well as that of the desired

"uniformity of the Calendar."

"It is essential to have in the Calendar "an exact number of weeks.—It therefore "becomes necessary to suppress one day of "the 365.-For Banks and Financial "Houses it is important that all months "should end on the same day."

"The London Congress, therefore, ex-"pressed the opinion that it would be "desirable to arrange for the establishment "of a Fixed International Calendar."

Mr. F. Faithful Begg (Chairman of the

London Chamber of Commerce) said:
"The London Chamber of Commerce, "ever since it was instructed in the merits "of this controversy by your respected "President some time ago, has been enthu-"siastically in favor of the reforms which "he so eloquently advocates.

"There are two questions involved, two "questions of very great importance. One "is the regularization of the date of Easter, "and there is the question of the adoption "of a new calendar system. Now I shall "not detain you more than a very few "minutes, but I should like to say a few "words upon each of these subjects.

"Probably here in the United States you "may not have appreciated the difficulties "which arise in connection with the vari-"able date upon which Easter falls. These "difficulties are well explained in the com"munication of the President, and I do not

"propose to enter into them at all.
"What I wish to point out more particu-"larly to those who have not perhaps pro-"foundly studied this subject, is that there "is no reason whatever why you should "have a variable date for Easter. It is an "old arrangement, into the remons for "which I will not enter, but it we would "only be content to regulate Easter by the "sun instead of regulating the date by the "moon, we should get to a point where we "might have annually a fixed date for

"That seems a very simple matter, but "it is by no means so simple; and it is satis-"factory to know that, looking at the "difficulties from an international point of "view, this Congress has already been able "to interest the various governments in "Europe in the question, and I think we "may fully hope that in a short time a satis-"factory result will be brought about.

"One point I desire to mention in con-"nection with both questions: I will state
"that my own Chamber is in favor, but I
"wish to draw your special attention to a "paragraph in the President's communica-"tion toward the close, where he mentions "that the seventh Congress of Chambers "of Commerce of the British Empire, meet-"ing last June, passed unanimously a "favorable resolution. (See top of page 22.)

"I wish to point out to you that that "represents the combined wisdom, if I may
"use the word "wisdom," of the Chambers
"of Commerce of the British Empire, a new "organization which has been brought into "existence quite recently which met the "other day in London and which contained "in its membership representative men from "all parts of the British Empire.

"Now, gentlemen, with your permission "I should like to say one word about the "calendar. I am not going to discuss the

"calendar, because again, the President has "provided us with full information with "regard to what it is proposed should be "done in that connection, but I wish to "mention for a special reason a fact which I think is perhaps not well known to every one in this room, and it is this: That "there is here, on the American continent, proof that before America was discovered by Columbus there existed on these shores a system for the most accurate adjustment of civil and solar time, and a system which was superior in its method to that in use "in Europe in the days of Columbus, and "to the calendar year under which we regu-"late our affairs today, by the calendar of "the Pope Gregory.

"You may see for yourselves, if you "choose to visit the place, the calendar stone "of the Aztecs of Mexico. It exists in the "form of a sun-stone, twelve feet in "diameter, sculptured with great dexterity and fineness, and this stone is both a sundial and a calendar similar to that which was used by the Egyptians and the Chaldeans in time long gone by. By means of this stone the Mexican priests determined not only the time of day, but they determined the solstices, and they kept accounts of years and of days. On the face of the stone there are inscriptions including the division of the year into weeks and into days, and the extraordinary thing is that that stone includes also the computation of centuries, with greater exactness, as I have said, than that of the modern Gregorian "calendar.

"The error, and those of you who under-"stand the error in the calendar will appre-"ciate the force of this point, is equivalent "to only one day in thousands of years. (Applause.)

This stone is supposed to have been "made in the year 1479 of our Lord; but "the science upon which it is based must "have taken enormous periods to evolve, "wherever that science came from, whether "it was European or native born. How "that stone came into existence nobody has

been able to determine; but there it is "My idea is that this stone should be brought into play in connection with the proposal for the reform of the calendar, and at all events that the system in existence, as I have said, in this country before the discovery of the country by Columbus should have a show in the negotiations which are going on in connection with the "reform of the calendar." (Applause.)

Herr Ernet Krause (Vice-President), from Vienna, said:

"The members of the Chamber of Com-"merce, whom I have the honor of representing, are entirely conformable with "everything that is going to be decided in "that respect"

All important factors in Vienna have agreed that Easter holidays should be set for a definite date and that a Uniform Calendar should be introduced for the entire world.

Mr. Alfred Aslett (General Manager, Fu ness Railway, England) said:

"There are two competitive proposals "(compared as B and E on Table C), the "one by Professor Grosclaude, of Switzer-"land, and the other by Mr. John C. "Robertson, of Kircaldy, Scotland, the "latter of which two he preferred."

President M. Louis Canon-Legrand in conclusion referred to the question then being in the hands or the Swiss Govern-

"As regards the religious question. "It is obvious that what we are asking does "not go against any religious conviction; "we respect all convictions; but we hold "that ALL religions are interested to have "a Uniform Calendar and can so arrange it." (See page 88 re Ecclesiastical Authorities.)

NOTES appended by M. B. Cotsworth Mr. F. Faithful Begg's statement that the Ancient Mexican (Aztec) Calendar system was truer than the European Calendar is correct. Further, it was much more convenient, because all its MONTHS WERE EQUAL, consisting of 4 WEEKS of 5 DAYS each, which exactly quartered every month, vide p. 40, and End-plate .V.

That week of 5 days, with every 5th day as Sunday or "Rest-Day," would require 18 of such months of 20 days, plus a "nonmonth week" to follow the 18th month, to complete the Ancient Mexican Year.

Theirs was the most convenient of all Calendara. But its re-establishment as a world-wide Calendar seems impracticable now that the Week-of-7-days is universal.

Humanity may attain to that hundreds of years hence; but as we are concerned about the best Calendar we can get into universal use now, we must utilize the 7-day week which now regulates the affairs of all Nations, as Don Carlos Hesse, the South American Astronomer and Calendar Reformer at Iquique, Chili, so ably points out concerning the necessity of weeks being used to quarter-months, as can only now be done by using months exactly 4 weeks long. To attempt weeks-of-5-days now, would postpone Calendar Reform many generations.

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Why should Day-names continue to be shifted throughout every month and year, when we can most easily FIX them to gain greater daily convenience? We can easily arrange EVERY MONTH better by permanently inserting between June and The MONTH is the LONGEST UNIT by which people WORK and PAY for LABOR—that MOST USEFUL of all COMMODITIES—throughout NORTH and SOUTH AMERICA, monthly payments for Renta, Accounts, etc., are made many millions of times each month. ASIA and AFRICA MONTHLY MEASURE, and also FIXED DAY NAMES uniformly applicable to AIL MONTHS. The United States and Canada can best unitedly invite all day-names in Months and Years, and arrange a permanently Fixed International Calendar.

Now that these two friendliest of nations are about to celebrate the 100 years of peace—during which neither side of their International Boundary (the longest in the world) has been patrolled by an armed soldier—we ask their Governments to unite in issuing the International Invitations to carry into effect this easy Reform to benefit all nations, and advance the welfare of humanity.

WHY the INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE should ASSEMBLE in

The important fact that many millions of typical people from almost all nations have mutually "settled" in North and South America, where races of every color and creed have intuitively adopted the Gregorian Calendar of Western Europe, with its Sundays and Weekdays differing from those which East European, Asiatic and African immaigrants formarily used through African immigrants formerly used through other Calendars, indicates the advisability of requesting the American Governments to invite and assemble the to be officially selected Representatives of all Nations, for the final Conference or Congress to Reform the Calendar.

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In NORTH and SOUTH AMERICA
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The International Reform League com-

The International Reform League consider that the initiative might most appropriately be taken jointly by the President of the United States and the Governor-General of Canada (with the consent of the British Government) at the forthcoming celebration, in December, 1914, of their 100 years of peace—during which no soldier on either side has been called upon to patrol any of their 4,000 miles of International Frontier,

On page 449 of "The Rational Almanak" nearly 10 years ago, I indicated that unless European Authorities took decisive action, the President of the United States would be requested to call the Official Conference of Representatives from all Nations, as it is now proposed to do; 1st, because of the preeminent impartiality with which the American Nations collectively can approach all other nations and all Churches on this question, and 2nd, because the United States pre-eminently exceed all other American Nations in influence and power to facilitate this highly desirable Reform.

The bitterness aroused by wars between the Nations of Europe causes International difficulties which can best be overcome by assembling the Conference on new all territory in Central America, where Panama is the most accessible, at the gateway of that great channel of International

commerce—the Panama Canal.

As Canada and the United States together, about 40 years ago, similarly estab-lished the world-wide "Standard Time" for the benefit of all nations, they can in like

manner most readily expedits the assemblage and work of the Conference to Reform the Calendar, especially as the Government of Canada have unanimously endorsed these proposals, which His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, the Governor-General, has at the Government's request transmit-

tad to the Imperial British Government recommending their adoption.

This League suggests that President Wilson with the Governor-General of Canada, on behalf of their respective Governments, unite in issuing invitations to all nations to meet on some such neutral ground as Egypt, or Panama (after the canal is opened) to devise and bring into International use the best form of Calendar which the united wisdom of all nations can arrange for mutual benefit.

It may be possible for President Wilson to open that Conference during his visit to Panama, after opening the canal in March,

The British Government will surely encourage Canada to take that step in order that the vigorous and prospering daughter nations of Australia, New Zealand, South Africa; with India, Egypt and other dependencies; may rightly gain reasonable representation, along with European n tions, and also the great nations of China and Japan, who with the growing populations of Siberia, Central Asia and Africa are interested in this Reform, which will daily facilitate convenience throughout every home and business in every nation.

As advocates of this proposed Reform of the Calendar have requested that more particulars be recorded concerning the origin of this 20th Century Reform, the following excerpts are reprinted from the 1908 to 1909 Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada, with the addition of the unquoted paragraphs inserted anent the European publication of Mr. Cotsworth's original proposals through Switzerland during the year 1905.

(Prefatory Note,-Mr. Cotsworth was introduced to the Section by Sir Sandford Fleming, K.C.M.G., who spoke of him as a gentleman who had given prolonged attention to the subject-one of universal importance—which he was about to discuss. Sir Sandford proceeded to make a few remarks on the general subject of "A Reformed Calendar." It has been thought desirable to prefix his observations to Mr. Cotsworth's paper.)

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SIR SANDFORD FLEMING'S ADDRESS to the ROYAL SOCIETY

"The calendar of days, "The calendar of days, weeks and months, which we have inherited from past ages, is found in many quarters to be "inadequate for our modern requirements. "especially in many branches of industrial "life, in business operations and various spheres of human activity; it is especially felt by railway and other transportation companies. The defects of the calendar are "borne with equanimity by the community generally, apparently under the belief that no change can be made; that the months, "for example, varying in length from 28 to 31 days, are fixed by some natural law and "as unalterable as the motion of the heaven-"ly bodies. There are a few persons, however, who begin to see the matter in a different light. A spokesman in favor of some change and improvement has recently "been heard in the Parliament of the United "Kingdom. I hold in my hand a proposal "for a simplified calendar by Mr. Alexander "Philip, of Brechin, in Scotland, and we "have here with us today a gentleman from the City of York, England, who has given the subject prolonged consideration. For myself I warmly approve of the movement to simplify the calendar, and my earnest desire is to see the Royal Society of Canada "take a leading part in promoting a needed change—a change which would benefit the great human family for all future time.

That such a change can be effected I "have no doubt whatever, provided we take "the right course, and the right course to follow is to begin by seeking the proper means of gaining the assent of all interested in the proposal.

The question arises: Who are interested? and the answer is, everybody—all civilized nations are concerned in any proposition to modify the calendar of days and months which has come down to us through the "centuries.

"Members of the Royal Society will re-"member a cognate case which presented "itself on this continent thirty or forty "years ago. The development of the rail"way system of this country was the direct "means of forcing the matter on our atten-"tion. The establishment of the Canadian "railways, extending from the Maritime "Provinces westerly towards the Pacific, "brought to light difficulties in reckoning "time. It was discovered that generally "speaking every town and city had its own "standard by which the hours of the day

"were reckoned. It was found that there "were nearly a dozen standards of time "between Halifax and Sarnia, and there "was every prospect, in the absence of a "proper system, of having eventually nearly "a hundred standards between the Atlantic "and the Pacific. This was suggestive of "confusion, and worse than confusion, in

"operating the railway system of the future.
"Among the records of the Royal Society "will be found a detailed account of the "means taken to avert these evils. A scheme "was evolved, and not only Canada and the "American Continent, but all countries on "the face of the globe were benefited by the 'establishment of 'Standard Time.'

"In May, 1870, the matter was brought "to the attention of the Marquis of Lorne, "then Governor-General of Canada, by a "memorial from the Canadian Institute, "Toronto. His Excellency took means to "bring the question to the notice of Her "Majesty's official and scientific authorities "in London, and through the home govern-"ment the attention of foreign governments was directed to the subject.

"This was the first practical step taken, and the world is more indebted than it "knows to the representative of the Queen "in this Dominion - to the same British "nobleman who, a few years afterwards, "became the founder of the Royal Society "of Canada. This step led eventually to an "International Conference being held at "Washington from which, as a direct outcome, the meridians of the globe were "standardized, and the reckoning of the hours of the day simplified by having one "definite standard for the world.

"I venture to think that the question of "simplifying the almanak can be dealt with "similarly. I see every reason for memorial-"izing the Governor-General on the subject, "in the hope that His Excellency may take "the first practical step in a movement of "such general and wide importance. May "we not be justified in the expectation that "in due time an international conference "may be assembled, possibly in Ottawa, to "consider the matter? and that, as a result, "all civilized nations will have a simplified "and greatly improved calendar for their "common use and benefit in reckoning the "days, the weeks, and the months through-"out each and every year.

"SANDFORD FLEMING."

ORIGIN of the PROPOSED REFORM

(Excerpts from M. B. Cotsworth's Paper read before the Royal Society of Canada)

"The world-wide need for reform of our "calendars has yearly engrossed me the more "its everyday value to us all was ascertained "by investigation, travel, discussion, and "correspondence during the C.ceptional opportunities provided by professional work on both sides of the Atlantic, in expert "business methods to avoid waste labor.

"The waste directly caused by our un-"mental months was evidenced early during "my twenty-five years of statistical work, "abstracting the weekly, monthly and yearly "earnings, etc., for the railway company "carrying the largest tonnage in the world, who are also the largest dock owners in

"the world.

"In non-leap-years all the twenty-eight "days of February, being repeated during "the first twenty-eight days of March, with "the same week-day names to the respective "dates, made all statistical comparisons easy "and exact between these two periods, but "then only. The regular weekly sailings of "the continental and coasting steamers fitted "both periods in the current and preceding

"non-leap-years.
"Everything in earnings and expenditure "was then on the same time basis, as, al-"though the preceding year began a day "earlier in the week, there were four con-"stant periods of four weeks each. That "enabled us to ascertain the cost of working "with less labor, and, further, we gained greater accuracy. We were thus able to get home earlier and happier, without

"working unpaid overtime.

"Being desirous of doing so every month, "my attention was directed to the loss and "anomalies developed by our imperfect "calendar system. Whilst investigating the "origin of our anomalous months and the "shifting weeks therein, the easy 'Skip-day' "way was disclosed by which all needless "calendar troubles can be avoided.

"Noticing that as business became more "exacting in accelerated ratio each follow-"ing year, the chief officers required more "precise explanations of the differences in "the cost of handling the traffic each suc-"cessive month, to avoid waste and increase "efficiency; the extra trouble was so gener-"ally caused by the needless variations of "our calendar (especially after the moon-"wandering of Easter began), that the "child-born assumption as to the calendar

"system of our ancestors being best, grad-"ually vanished, as the extent of our calen-"dar-created inconveniences, difficulties and "waste of labor forced on governments, "railway and canal companies, shipowners, "manufacturers, traders and workers be-"came evident.

"The crude and imperfect system of "having twenty-eight to thirty-one day "months fixed nearly two thousand years "ago by the Casars, sufficed when the work "of the world was done by unpaid slaves; "but the freedom and enterprise won since "then have developed new conditions need-"ing better calendar facilities. The exclu-"sive barriers of nations have been broken "down and interchange of trade is universal, "necessitating duplicate dates by buyers and "sellers where different calendars exist.

"Few persons realise that the one-third "of Europe's population (in Russia, Tur-"key, Roumania, Greece, etc.) trade with "us in duplicate dates, involving interest "calculations and legal difficulties. The "introduction of steamships, railways, telegraphs, cables, telephones and modern "business and social methods have very ex-"tensively changed our calendar require-"ments for equal months, and the same fixed "week-day-names throughout every month "and year.

"The business and social inconvenience "evidenced during the Christmas weeks of "1894 and 1895 (when Christmas Day "came in the middle of the week) disturbed "regular ideas of the week. Market-days "and weekly appointments had to be al-"tered, causing trouble, confusion, expense

"and disappointments.

"Noticing the heart-burning caused to "shop-assistants and other toilers, whose "cherished Christmas family re-unions were "curtailed to get them back for Friday and "Saturday's business (because they could "not link up the nearest week-end with the "holidays), brought the idea to my mind "that as Christmas Day was kept like Sun-"day, the boon of a permanent calendar "with FIXED Holidays always extended "over the week-end without splitting the "week, might be secured if we simply kept "its name as 'Christmas Day,' and relieved "it from being enumerated as a day of the "week-a 'Dier-nea' inserted as a public "holiday between Saturday and Sunday.

CALENDAR REFORM DESIRABLE and PRACTICABLE

"Further, I saw that by similarly giving "Leap-day its proper name and letting it p the week-day name as a 'Dies-non' "and public holiday (rightly due to salaried "servants who work that day for nothing), "we might by relieving those exceptional "year days from being regarded as days "of the week, permanently win the many "increased facilities and benefits which the "easiest possible working month of four "weeks would always bring by ending on "Saturday-and establish the easiest possi-"ble permanent calendar. Thus the golden "key to solve our calendar difficulties and "perfect the calendar appeared to be found "in the FLXING of 'Skip-day,' Easter, and "simpler months. Those form the essential "features of the various proposals which "have since been made to improve our yearly "register of time.

The worst source of the mischief in "changing the week-day names through all "the dates in each year and separating "Christman, New Year's Day and other "holidays from the week-ends, was then "located in the odd 365th day beyond the "fifty-two weeks of the year, and our

"UNEQUAL MONTHS.

"Having arrived at the conclusion that "reform was highly desirable, the next con-"sideration was to ascertain what was

"practicable.

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"That led to the submission of those sug-"gested remedies to the late Dr. Gott, the "Bishop of Truro (England), to whom I "also explained in 1898 the advantages of "fixing Easter, having known him well in "Leeds. He considered 'they would benefit "the entire human race,' and cordially en-"couraged me to work for the reform, as "also did the Dean of York, Cardinal "Stonor (whom I was privileged to meet "in Rome), Dr. Tempest Anderson, of "York, and many others. My proposals of "1899 were then published.

"Knowing that progressive reform would "be more quickly taken up by the free, un-"trammelled minds of Americans, I visited "the United States in 1903, and was highly "pleased when President Hadley, of Yale "University, told me that he thought the "month of four weeks 'would come as a "commercial necessity.' Prof. Geo. F. "Wright, D.D., and others said the reform "would surely be accomplished in reasonable "time if tactfully worked out - whilst "prominent bankers and business men "agreed that it was highly desirable and "practicable. Indeed, the United States

"Trust Co. and other bankers had, by printed interest cards, etc., already tegun "to charge interest every four weeks, and "the U. S. A. comparative table of working "days in each month (as reproduced on page "35 of my 'Rational Almanak') was in "regular use in the leading offices.

"The governments, railway companies "and other large employers had, through "changing days and unequal months, long "be burdened with vast numbers of "monthly calculations to apportion yearly "salaries, rents, etc., to the varying number "of work-days in each month, to accertain "truer costs as against monthly revenue, "traffic, sales, etc. They had elaborate "tables printed and some offered to pay for "shorter methods of calculation to meet "their increasing needs, as my publications "to economise such work were widely thrown, especially the Direct Calculator O.

"That experience in America was empha-"sized when the four-week (28 days) sys-"tem was found to have spread to the "British and German iron and steel trades, "steamship companies, etc., whilst all na-"tions were feeling the increasing need for "equal monthly periods of service and pay, "as instanced by the Belgian Government "having to adopt the four weekly period for "the employers' and employees' contribu-"tions to provide the best designed pension "system for old age.

"Then, feeling that the time had arrived "to more publicly advocate the reform, my "book on "The Rational Almanak' was pub-

"lished in 1905.

"Since that time increasing interest has "been aroused by the advocacy for reform "in both Europe and America. The cele-"brated French astronomer, Camille Flam-"marion, with others in Germany, Belgium, "Switzerland and other nations, have joined "with Lord Avebury, Sir Norman Lockyer, "Sir Oliver Lodge, Mr. Alex. Philip, Mr. "John C. Robertson and other British advo-"cates, in urging for improvement.

"Sir Sandford Fleming, who is so widely "known for his valuable experience in the "establishment of International 'Standard "Time,' has personally told you 'that the "desired change can be effected I have no "doubt whatever.' Such testimonies com-"mend the subject to your consideration. "Now he has pointed out the right course "to take by inducing the respective Govern-"ments to call the Official International

"Conference."

The GOVERNMENT of CANADA ENDORSES the proposed "YEARAL"

The following is of interest as showing the progress being made towards the reform of the present calendar systems:

Excerpt from the Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada, May, 1908:
The Secretary of Section III. reports that the following resolution has been adopted manimously by the Section:
"Section III. recommends that the Council be instructed to memorialize the Governor-General on the subject of the Reform of the Almanak, asking His Excellency to briar the need of a new calendar to the attention of the Imperial Government with the view of steps being taken to obtain the assent of all civilized nations thereto."
The motion being put to the necioty, was carried unanimously.
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The 1923 annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada passed the following so their

d resolution: sal for the reform of the enlender receive the forsation of the society."

Ottowa, June 7, 1912. Dear Mr. Couworth

Dear Mr. Conworth

At last I can congretulate you on progress having actually been made in the reform you have so long fathered and advented.

Half in hour ago I left the Premier's office, when 'he full Council of the Royal Society met him by appointment. I enclose with this the deliverance which was ead to him. That, with the portion of the transactions of the Royal Society which was published in pumphlet form, goes to the office of the Governor-General and from there by His Royal Highness to the Home authorities to distribute among the several governments, as was done in the matter of "Standard Time." In this way all civilined nations will have the matter before them and in due time an International Conference will be expected to deal with the subject.

I can do no more at present and it remains

pected to seal with the subject.

I can do no more at present and it remains for me to congratulate you on being the father of the reform which will be of much benefit to the human family in the future years of the world.

The matter is now in a fair way of settlement by an International Conference.

Years most truly, SANFORD FLEMING

Copy of petition from the Royal Society of Canada to His Royal Highness the Governor-General in Council.

The undersigned has the honor to state that in pursuance of a resolution adopted at the last annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada, held in the month of May last, the Council of the Society would respectively beg leave to represent to Your Royal Highnese in Council that the subject of the reform of the Augustan Calendar of present in mee in Europe. Augustan Calendar at present in use in Europe and America and more or less in every part of the globe, has of late years been occupying attention in many different countries, and that there is reason to believe that steps will be taken, at no distant day, for inviting a consid-eration of the question by the leading governments of the world.

Various schemes for the simplification of the calendar have been proposed. All aim at preventing that dislocation of the relation of the days of the week to the days of the month, which has hitherm been the necessary result of dividing the 365 days of the year into weeks.

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The proposed remedy for this, seemes to all the schemes which the feelety has examined, is to leave one day of the year uncounted as a day of the month and unnamed as a day of the week, and to call it simply "New Year's Day."

The flectery has had the opportunity of studying most of the plans that have been suggested, and it inclines to regard one which was specially brought to its notice by Mr. Moson R. Cottworth of New Westminster, R. C. (formerly of York, England), in a paper read before its mathematical section four years ago, as on the whole the simplest and the most advantagence of all.

its machematical section four years age, the whole the simplest and the most networks are severed at the most networks and all. Mr. Conworth's proposition is that the year should be divided into thirteen meeths of all days each, making sie days in all. The sigth day he would dispose of, in the manner already explained, by giving it a name only and not allowing it any place in a munth or week. This being done, the days of the week would, throughout the year, and from year to year in perpetuity, fall on fixed days of the mouth. All bundays, for example, would fall either on the 1st, 8th, 1gth or 2and of the mouth; all Mustidays on the 2nd, 9th, 16th or 3grd, and so on. The thirteenth mouth would be intercalated, under some outable name, between June and July; and the extra day required for leap year would be assigned to some suitable place in the year, without being counted either so a day of the mouth or a day of the week.

The inconvenience of the present calendar is understood by all intelligent persons. The recourse had to grinted calendars and almanake, when matters of date are in question is a constance reminder of the drawhashs of the present system. That the less of time and occasional confusion and error thus arising constitute, in the aggregate, no inconsiderable tax on human energy may very reasonably be maintained. A resolution affirming the necessity of a

energy may very transmably be maintained.

A resolution affirming the necessity of a reform of the calendar was carried at the meeting of the International Association of Chambers of Commerce held last year in London; and as long and as long as a Palentary took a Calendar and, as long ago as February, 1906, a Calendar Reform Bill, based upon a scheme set forth in a pamphlet issued by Mr. Alexander Philip, LLB, of Brachin, Scotland, was introduced in

the House of Commons.

The Council of the Royal Society, recalling the fact that thirty years ago the system of "Standard Time" new is use by all leading nations of the globe was initiated in Canada, and brought to the attention of the Imperial authorisis by Hin Excellency the Marguia of and orought to the attention of the imperial authorities by His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne, then Governor-General, who is the fol-lowing year became the founder of this Society, feel emboldened to hope that if Your Royal Highness in Council should see fit to transmit the recommendation of this Society in favor of the reform now in question to His Majesty's government, the result might be a further benefit of the utmost importance to the whole civilized world.

Assisted, as the Society is, in its operations by the Government and Parliament of Canada, it feels called upon to interest itself in all that makes for the welfare, in the first place, of this country and the British Empire at large, and secondarily of the general community of nations; and it is under the influence of this sentiment that the Society has authorized the action which the Council is now taking in approaching Your Royal Highness in Council on this question. (Signed) W. N. LESUEUR.

evolution of European Proposals—Possible New Era

That petition was beartily endorsed by the Canadian Government, who have requested the British Government to ac-estable as Official International Conference to consider the proposed improvement at

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As the and and 3rd paragraphs of the Royal Society of Canada's Petition to His Royal Highness the Governor-General-in-Council, whilst urging Mr. Cotsworth's proposals, refers to other plane that have been suggested to simplify the Calendar, the International Almanak Reform League de-International Almanak Reform League de sire to record the fact that those slightly varied plans (which only suggest different locations for the "Skip-day" and less convenient months) are but partial modifications of the original proposals made by Mr. Conworth, who in the year 1895 originated the "Dies-non Ship-day" method of separating the 365th day of each year-and "Leapday" in every Leap-year, from week-day names, to permanently win for humanity a "Fixed International Calendar" or "Years!."

One proof-copy of those proposals, whilst lent to a friend, was taken advantage of by the enterprising reporter then seeking "copy" for the 1st edition of the "Sunday Mail" in London, England, wherein they were published without consent, but duly

acknowledged as from him.

Mr. Cotsworth's circular-letters, essays, etc., issued during the subsequent 10 years, advocating the Reform, gradually impressed thoughtful people that the proposals were practicable and could soon be won to benefit this and future generations.

After his 472-page book on the "Rational Almanac" was published in 1905, readers became convinced the Fixed Calendar proposed was highly desirable, and advocated it

For example, Mr. J. F. Cole, F.R.A.S., of Sutton, Surrey, England, while in Switzerland, published in the 13th July, 1905, issue of the "Gazette de Lausanne" a short explanation of Mr. Cotsworth's first proposals, which thence circulated through German, French, Belgian and other European newspapers, arousing the interest of suc's able advocates in all nations as those lesders listed on page 72-to all of whom the International Almanak Reform League tender cordial acknowledgement for the very valuable advocacy they have so helprendered towards accomplishing fully Calendar Reform.

From those have arisen the slightly varied proposals since evolved by various advocates, who all agree that the time is now ripe for the present generation to step forward, and by the easy means of utilizing

the impending International Calendar Conference, mutually benefit all people throughout every nation by replacing our present defective calendars by one Fixed Inter-national Colendar or "Yearal" to better serve humanity during all future pure

From the foregoing we may fairly deduce that if the Official International Conference, to be soon assembled, recommends that the last 10 days of our year 1918 should be closed out to begin all future years truly with Nature's years by declaring Dec. 23rd of that year only shall become Jan. 1st, to begin a New Ern and simpler Calendar all Natione can promptly adopt, then we may rest assured that such a beneficial change can be easily accomplished.

The draft legislation the Conference will in that event submit, will simply provide that for December, 1918, only, 71 per cent. of Rents, Taxes, etc., shall be payable because the 22 days in that December will only be 71 per cent. of our present 31

December days.

As to whether that advanced Jan. 1st shall be Calendared as beginning the next year, 1919 (so easily remembered) or be Jan. 1st of the Year I in a new "Yera," dating from the year ending the most epochmarking readjustment of European affairs following the end of wars, will be for that International Conference to decide.

Sufficient evidence has been submitted herein to dispel from all reasonable minds the false ideae that our Calendars were either wisely arranged or as unalterable as the motions of the Sun, Moon and Stars.

The plain facts disclose the crude, haphazard, and ill-considered ways by which our Calendars (though the best of many in use) have been patched up, twisted backwards and forwards in varying degrees according to the will or caprice of ancient Fontiffs and Caesars, who have handicapped us by incessantly changing day-names in every month and year, and failed to fit weeks evenly within months varying from 28 to 31 days long inflicting upon us the many inconveniences and increasing loss, all of which can be permanently overcome by the International adoption of the "Yearal."

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how the LAST BRITISH REFORM of CALENDAR WAS effected (consequent upon Pope Gregory XIIIth's wise reform of 1582), when the II days between Sept. 2 and Sept. 14 were omitted, and the following printed in that space:

"According to an Act of Parliament passed in the 24th year of His Majesty's reign and in the year of our Lord 2752, the Old Style ceases here, and

How the last of the GREGORIAN Reforms of the Calendar was Accomplished in 1752

The "Observations" reproduced below from the left of the lower companion page of the British Almanak for September, 1752, detail the simple process by which Protestant England followed the lead of Western European nations who easily adopted Pope Gregory the Great's suggestion to omit 10 days between the 5th and 15th October, 1582, to adjust the year that had drifted 10 days from the Sessons through Calendar constructors computing 3651/4 days per year, according to the "Julian Style" of Julius Caesar, instead of the truer 365,242 days -as explained on pages 55 to 58.

"OBSERVATIONS"

"It is to be observed that the several Feast Days on which the payment of Rents, Annuities, etc., depend, and also the Opening of Common Fields or Pastures, are by the Calendar established by the late Act of Parliament, fixed upon the same Nominal Days of the respective months as before in the Julian Nominal Days of the respective months as before in the Julian Account they were placed; yet the Act provides and directs that the payments of Rents, Annuities, etc., or the Opening or Shutting of Pastures shall not by this means (12 days omitted) be accelerated or forwarded; but that the days of Payment, or Right of Opening or Closing Commons, formerly depending on the said Feasts, are to be kept and observed on the same natural Days of the year on which the said Feasts would have fallen if this Act had not been made; for this Reason the 10th October is called Michaelmas Day, and the 22nd of November, Old Martinmas Day, and as of the rest as being the respective Days on which such Rents or Payments become due, or on which such Rents or Births, Deaths, or other remarkable events, in the Regal or Chronological Tables, prior to, or upon the 2nd September, 175a, are to be understood according to the Julian Account, or Old Style."

In that year no one could die on any of the II days from 3rd to .3th September inclusive, because those days were omitted. Neither could persons whose birthdays were due on those days, celebrate them until September 14th, when they followed on the same natural days in the year, but dated 11 days later. Similarly the payment of accounts due on those days were payable on dates calendared II days later,

But each day from September 14th, 1752, onwards, followed in usual sequence, although actually recorded II days before the corresponding dates in the Julian style to which Russia and the Greek-church countries of Southern Europe still adhere, and as they have since lost 2 more days their 150,000,000 people now drag on 13 days

behind our Calendar.

The result is that Russians, Greeks and Slavic nations celebrate their Festivals, Saints' Days, etc., as Calendar events 13 days after other European and American nations have passed their corresponding Festivals, etc., therefore they celebrate Christmas Day on our January 7th, which is accordingly noted on our Calendars as Old Christmas Day.

Happily they use the same week-day names as we for current days, as also do the Chinese and Japanese. Consequently the desired "YEARAL" as an International FIXED Calendar can best be derived by ending it upon the proposed "Skip-day" to ensure the fixity of the

the New takes place; and consequently the next day, which in the Old Account would have been the 3rd, is now to be called the 14th, so that all the intermediate Nominal Days, from the and to the 14th, are omitted, or rather annihilated this year, and the month contains no more than 19 days, as the Title at the Head expresses."

Simplicity of the Proposed Reform and How Easily it Can be Won

52 weeks plus that day to complete the usual 365-day year, and similarly cause "Leap-day" to leap the week-day-name each Leap-year to keep the 52 permanent weeks

Thus we have recent historic proofs of the facility with which a greater change than even the extreme 9 days' reversion of Skipday from December 31st to December 22nd was accomplished little more than 160 years ago, when the masses of even Europeans could neither read nor write. Small wonder, therefore, that odd groups of ignorant farm laborers then asked for their 11 days to be hopped back, and later were surprised to find that they had not lost them.

That Reform was effected under far more difficult conditions. Printed calendars were rare and religious prejudice extreme. Roman Catholic countries had Christmas, etc., 11 days before Protestants and their wrangling was incessant — but now those difficulties have been dissolved by education and mutual respect. See page 88.

SIMPLICITY OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE

The fact of having 52 weeks plus one day in ordinary years, results under our incessant week-system in that odd day becoming the 5'3rd Sunday in non-leap years beginning with Sunday, thus altering the following New Year's Day to Monday, which causes the next December 31st to become the 53rd Monday, and in its turn force changes of day-names throughout following years.

We can avoid those confusing changes now consequently divorcing Christmas, Thanksgiving and other National Holidays from their best locations in conjunction with the week-end extensions now most needed to permanently enhance our recreative and social enjoyment, by simply fixing that end-day of each year as "Skip-day" without week-day-name, even if we let it count as an appendage to December, as 29th of February inserted between February and March.

Similarly the proposed new month can be just as readily inserted between the last day of June and the first day of July, to derive 13 equal months of 4 weeks each, exactly like February, 1914, which begins on Sunday and ends its 28 days on Saturday, so that whether wages are paid weekly, fortnightly or monthly all periods of earning and expenditure for every purpose would then be most conveniently equated.

Business people will readily balance their books to ascertain their profits and costs of working then, and avert such Bad Debts as our calendar propagates during months in which 5 Saturdays occur, in about 4 months each year, necessitating the purchase of the 5th week's provisions out of one month's pay, thus unconsciously drifting less thrifty people into arrears. The adoption of the "Yearal" would FIX all day-names, make all periods for earning and spending equal; and thus circulate money more freely.

HOW EASILY THE "YEARAL" CAN BE WON

1st. The International Conference will be assembled, with the advice of astronomers thereat, to decide:

(a) The location of the "Skip-day" to relieve the 53rd week-day (now occurring beyond the 52 weeks each year) from week-day name and proclaim it as an International "Good-will" Holiday, preferably between the last day of December and New Year's Day, to secure permanent day-names. Also the removal of "Leap-day" to midsummer, as an International Holiday.

(b) The best style of permanent months, preferably patterned like the 4 weeks comprised in February, 1914, in order that all months may end with the week—to gain equal months and the world-wide convenience that would bring equal periods per carning, thending, etc.

earning, spending, etc.

(c) The best permanent date for Easter, as the German Government, Vatican and other authorities are preparing to do.

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(d) As to whether the "Yearal" shall begin as midnight closes the "Shortest Day," to win simultaneous acceptance by all Nations, Races and Creeds.

(e) The draft legislation the Conference will prepare for recommendation to the Governments of every Nation, for adoption on the date suggested by the Conference.

and. Each Nation will next enact that draft Bill through its Legislatures, and date therein its Special National Holidays, etc., transposed to their corresponding dates when registered upon the "Combined Calendar" the Conference's final draft form will prescribe in some such form as that tentatively suggested on "Table B," page 76.

FINALLY, the Astronomers, Tide-table Constructors, Calendar, Compilers and Printers will prepare the "Yearal Calendars," Almanaks, Diaries, Day-tablets, etc., accordingly; whilst the Watch and Clockmakers will print the outer circle dates on future permanent Time-recorders, as per the Watch perched on the Sphinx, on Plate "A."

There cannot arise such difficulties as confront the universal adoption of the "Metric System."



PATHER CHRISTMAS presenting the proposed "YEARAL" and CALENDAR CLOCK to FATHER TIME, who is so delighted with the prospect of renewing his youth by adopting the "YEARAL" of perpetual Calendar life, that he is preparing to abandon the "Old Style Calendars" by Christmas, 1918.

Difficulty having been experienced by advocates of Calendar Reform, in identifying the writer, on arrival in other cities and abroad, it has been suggested that this photo may facilitate identification by the white flat-tie, and expedite interviews with persons interested in this Reform, when meeting the writer.



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An epitome of the main reasons for advocating the Reform, also an indication of some of the many practical benefits we can gain by use of the proposed "Yearal," are printed on the "inset-card" for handier reference by advocates of Calendar Reform.

Study of the "Combined" Calendar on page 76, for transposing the dates between the present Shifting Calendar and the proposed Fixed "Yearal" after the year 1918, convinces our calendar-makers and weather-predictors that the datal change will not harm anyone, but will benefit agriculture and every other beneficial interest, as the gradual change will be imperceptible when compared with the ordinary variations of seasonal weather. It will daily help as all.

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The "AMPLITUDE METHOD" of LOCATING the SEASONS—DIAGRAM of JACOB'S "AMPLITUDE OBSERVATORY STAKES."

Plate "K."—The "Amplitude Method" North Europ: where the points of Surrise from Md-Winter to Md-Summer are 3 times wider than in Rgypt (see Front-plate "D"). III. The rising ground at York in the centre of the great plain was naturally selected as a "sacred site" for that purpose. The great circle of its horizon was complete.

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Sun-rise across York Minster's N.E. corner, 21 June, 1902

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PLATE "L" LATER METHODS of OBSERVATION to CALENDAR the SEASONS.

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The "Cross-piece," B.C., is interchangeable with the 3 of proportionate extension according to the seasonal sittude of the Sun, and is moved along the staff nearer the eye for higher elevations, or from the eye for lower. The lower end indicates the "horizon's South-point" between which and the Sun the season's "cross," when read at the cross-point.

Like the "Clog Almanak" shown opposite paragraph 15 of the Evolution section, the staff had 4 sides to register the 4 seasons by the noon-Sun, which (vide the Fans on Plates N and P) yearly rises and for locating high stage.

II "DIRECT SIGHTING" ACROSS TOPS of



At Delhi (India), by "sighting" over the Iron Pillar to the Sun or Stars passing over the high tower the Seasons could be approximated. Higher (Fyramid) Exections point truer lines of observation. Note the "ringways," with 4 openings as on the Irish Round Towers, to observe horizon "Amplitudea."

IV. NATURAL SUN-DIALS



rai Sen-dial at Settle, Yorkshire, England.

called Castleberg. Until about a hundred years ago a great mass of rock on that hill formed a natural a great mass or rock on that mill formed a hatural sun-dial. It is shown rather crudely on this page in a reproduction of an old engraving, given in Smith's Old Totksbire. It is thus described in the letters of Bishop Pococke, written in 1750, and now edited for the Camden Society:

"Crossing the Ribble, we came in a quarter of a mile to Settle, a little town situated under a high rocky hill; on the lower part of which, four stokes being placed, they serve as a sun-dial to the country for three or four miles southward, as they know what hour of the morn it is. T a shadow comes to them from sleth to morn it is. e shadow comes to them from eight to twelve."

The stones range from the right lower corner up to the rock, whence shadows were crudely wing as from the Egyptian Pyramida. Such simple shadow methods are still used by a mitter races in many arts of the world.

tive races in many parts of the world.

C(Plate M)—"3HADOW METHODS" OF RE-SCOEDING DAILY TIME. The following demon-strate the continued me of shadows down to the end of the 18th Caluty-especially in Egypt during Napoleon's Expedition:

EXCERPT from MEMOIRS OF EGYPT by the FRENCH EXPEDITION of Scientific Men following General Bonaparts's Campaign, 1798 and 1799.

Translated by R. Phillips, London, 1800.

Page 294. -- "The Araba measure their day by the stated times for prayers. The

"Time by the Length of their Shadow: the "Shadow is measured with their naked feet, which

"they place alternately one before the other.

"Their rules for estimating are: that in the "Summer Solution mid-day is I foot from the

" vertical point; that in Winter at the same hour

" of the interval from moon to sunset is 7 feet " the Shadow is 9 feet in length: that in Summer "the Shadow which answers to the middle point

"beyond the place of the Shadow at noon. These "measurements are exactly conformable to the "Latitude of the Country."

The term "Latitude" was probably derived from such "LAT" erections as that ending Front-plate "C." Laborers in Egypt still use that method, and for timing hours locate stadows from sticks by arranging pebbles equidistant on the ground to mark "times to change onen," etc.



II. The Garden Pole's Shadow receding the Hours it is Flower-hed Dial. That indicates how our Dials were derived for Clocks and Watches. The Shadow is pointing the Time at 2.0 p.m.

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These Calendar Records of proportionate of p.m. lengths were generally used until watches became plentiful. The above described Dial-staff is depicted in use on Fig. 1V, as was "Aaron's Rod," wide Pyramid



W. The Traveller's Sun-dial-staff (as used before Watches) notched into 100 parts. The Shadow shown for May 21st being 59 of the Staff's length, indicates Noos; vide the lat and 6th columns of "The Naturel Gauges for the Sun," ex 1712 Almanak on Fage N.



V. Obeliak at Lhassa (Thibet), sell used by the pricess to locate the Seasons. Note the coned spent to "sight" the San and point the daily Stadows.

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(Plate N)—The Noon Sun-rhadow-lengths in the proceeding 6th column, ex the 1712 Almanue, prove that the Calendar was Il days out of grait with the Seasons, bectuse the Longest Shadow of 4.01 fell on Dec. 11 instead of Dec. 22.

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RECORDS of SHADOWS from PYRAMIDS and CONES (Plate "O")

As Pyramids were used in Egypt, Assyria, Mexico, etc., but Cones in Peru, Siam and C. ntral Africa, the writer experimented during several years with models of both, carefully orientated upon diagram-squared-paper, and outlined thereon their shadows every hour (as reproduced below), during the Equinoxes and Midsummer. Those demonstrated that Pyramids and Cones of equal height gave identical records of the Seasons, but Pyramids were easier to build higher. Both records recembled



I. The SHADOW-WINGS on EGYPTIAN TEM-PLES and the Daily Shadows on Sun-dials, indicating the "Flight of Time."

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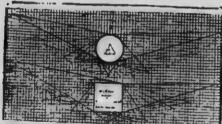
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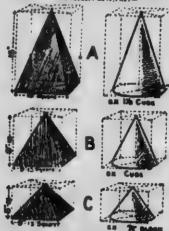
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II. M. B. Cotsworth's models, ex Series A B C, casting the 7.0 p.m. Mid-summer Shadow, recorded on the corresponding diagrams below:



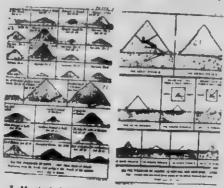
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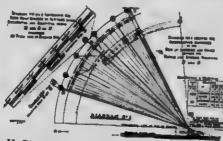


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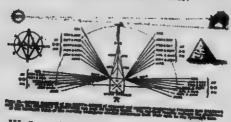
(Plate "P") SECTIONS of EGYPTIAN PYRAMIDS with DIAGRAMS of their Observatory Tubes, Shadow Fizms, and Lengths of the shortest final Shadows



I. Vertical Sections of PYRAMIDS showing their North-pointing Tubes, med as telescopes to locate stars.



II. Diagram showing how the Sun's noon-rays at the Equinoxes indicated the Slope for Pyramids from their mid-point of Seasonal Elevations between Mid-Winter and Mid-Summer (shown for London and Calro) as the Sun crosses the Equator thus:



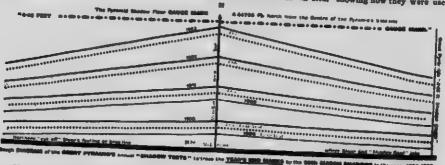
III. Seasonal Ray-lines of Pyramid Shadows, roughly diagrammed for the months, and the Season-dividing points, "Quartering the Year."



V. VERTICAL SECTION of the GREAT PYRA-MID showing the Observatory passages (used as telescopes) and secret chambers for storing records. But the most significant feature is the "Shadow-floor" purposely levelled on the North side—shown to the right—on which the Meridian-Line extends to the end of that ledge where the longest but feeblest Noon Shadows every day near the "Shortest Day" are too vague for observers to thereby find the Year's length



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See Pyramid description, Plate 2, for photographs of
Meridian Rods "in situ," showing how they were used.



IV. Diagram of the Great Pyramid's "Day-gauge" of 4.45 feet, showing the differing lengths of the Shortest-noon Shadows measured on the Meridian Ploor-line during 10 successive years. They repeat approximately in 32 year-periods (as indicated by Fig. VI), but more precisely in 128 years.

(Plate "Q") Showing HOW the PYRAMIDS WERE BUILT and shaped



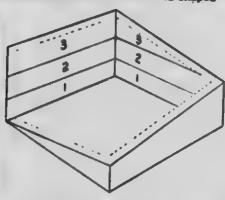
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I. MOUNTAIN PEAK in INDIA, radiating the Sun-rise-Rays, like Pyramid Slopes, which may have been similarly suggested to Egyptions observing Sunrice impacts on peaks across the Hile (see Plate "J").



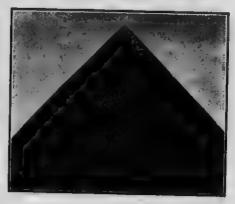
II. Pigeon House being built by an Egyptian farmer by using walls as inclined-planes to higher levels, because neither scaffold-poles nor helots were evallable, as seen by the writer in Egypt.



III. MODEL illustrating HOW the PYRAMIDS WERE BUILT by using the outer-courses of stone, graded (like the Egyptian Farmer's Inclined-planes) around the 4 side-slopes, to haul up the building stones which were shally headed all over each of the nearly 200 receding layers, to the top fact the outer to the course of the same shally hauled up the side-inclines which were later filled up by casing stones below the practicallility of the 4 or more Incline-ways up one or more addes and wes of very easy grade around the immense slopes of the Pyramid, as indicated across the Pyramid's Slope photo on End-Plate S.

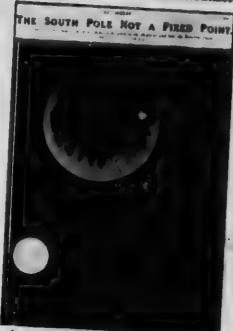


IV. The "STEP-PYRAMID" at SAKKARAH, typical of the 2nd Stage of Pyramid Building, following Medum (Front-plate "H") and resembling the Babylonian "Zigurata" outlined on Plate E. I have added the probable tier-alope-lines to indicate the easy Inclines for hauling stones up the north-shaded alops.



V. The APEX of a PYRAMID, now in the Coiro Museum. Note the embleme of the Sun, and his "over-shadowing wings" engraved on the sloping Apex. Originally the great Pyramid had such an apex on its now flat top to point observations (see plates A and U).

(PLATE "R")-How POLAR PROGRESSION DEPLECTED the SLOPES of PYRAMIDS



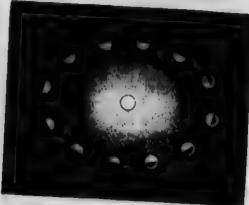
1. The PROGRESSIVE CHANGE is POLAR LOCATION is evidenced by the above Diagram derived from the world-wide observations of leading Astronomers during the years 1905 to 1910. Their tracing abowing the varying curve of the extending wobble has been much enlarged to demonstrate the slowly "changing positions of the Polar axis," with consequent shifting of the Earth's Latitudes and Southward deflection of the Northern Equinoctial Slopes of Pyramide, as outlined on Plate "P."

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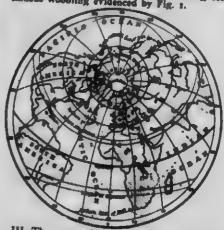
That newly discovered minor movement of the Earth appears to be mainly caused by the large gravitational deflecting forces indicated on the right, which in varying degrees seem to drag the Earth's crust around its viscuous-coated core, so that Egypt (with Europe, etc.) has during the past 6,000 years been gravitated several degrees towards the Equator. Consequently the difference between the present slope of the Pyramid (which registered the Equinoctial Elevation of the Sun when the Great Pyramid was built) and the Sun's present Aititude at the Equinoxes is enlarged both by that Southern tilt exerted on the Pyramid by the greater curvature of its lower Latitude, and the resulting increase of the Sun's Elevation, causing its noon-rays to beam over the Northern Slope about 2 weeks earlier.

lower Latitude, and the resulting increase of the Sun's Elevation, causing its moon-rays to beam over the Northern Slope about 2 weeks earlier. That combined deflection by cutting off the Noon-Equinoctial-Shadows apparently prevented the earlier re-discovery of the effective Pyramid methods by which the Ancient Egyptians derived their Calendar, as the most valuable knowledge they could win from nature by those mighty efforts of the Pyramid builders.

IV. The stupendous weight of the Arctic Icecap over Greenland, Baffin's Land, etc. (sufficient to cover North America about 600 ft. thick) accentuates and deflects that tilt of the Earth's crust Southwards down the Atlantic Meridian.



II. The Rotation of the Earth around its Elliptic Orbit, top-weighted by preponderance of Northern Land and Polar Ice causing continuous wobbling evidenced by Fig. 2.



III. The preponderant weight of Northern Hemisphere Land dragging the Earth's crust down the African Meridian "Axis of Landweight" towards the Equator.



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Slope is list feet from Base to Apex.

Men of the British Navy.

around the 4 Slopes, or sigzagged up this shaded North Side, to the Apex.

For the foot and casing stones used to wedge and slope up the tirrs, see Mid-Section Plate 2 with Shadow-rods.

(Plate "S") SHOWING barely 3 PER CENT. of the GREAT PYRAMID'S immene: WIDTH of 760 FEET. The British Navy Bandamen are standing upon the var "Shadow-Soor," which is only laid on the North side. Behind their feet is the now rugged but originally snely snished "Foot-line" of the Pyramid, across which the Egyptian year-ending Shadow flitted at noon on the day the Sun world-wide central point of Astronomy, "The First Point of Aries," the Pyramid system originated by system of exclusive advantages was more essential to ensure yearly food to the Egyptians than the British Navy is to safeguard the conveyance of food to the British Empire. The Priest-guided Ruiers of Egypt sealously secreted knowledge of their shadow-code, as British Admirals accrete their vital code of signals.

(Plate "T"). Apparent SEASONAL COURSES of the SUN and PIXED STARS across the Egyptian sky, on the SEASON-DIVIDING-DAYS, so PLANED OFF by the GREAT PYRAMID'S NORTH SLOPE, to enable Ancient Pyramid Astronomers to LOCATE the YEARLY RECURRING SEASONS for all Agricultural and National Calendar Purposes.

The Outer-Ridges of the respective W. E. and S. PANS indicate the 15 degrees-per-hour shy-tracks of the Sun during the days, and of the Pland Stars during the nights of these critical Season-dividing-days when rising up to and inverting from the Pyramid's Apan, as viewed from the Sund point of observed indicated by the respective Sweethed-light, which also serve to denote by the sings and degree above them, the Altitudes of the Sun when viewed you the East, creating the South Ecridina (Sid-line) as



W. Indicates the Sun's lowest Heen Elevation of 27 degrees on the "Shortest Day" (Dec. 28nd)



E. indicates the Mid-way Altitude of the Mid-day Sun as 66 degrees, when crossing the Calestial Sensitive on March Slot and September 25rd, when the lengths of "Day and Night are Equal"—denoting the EQUINOXES.



S. indicates the Sun's highest Hoon-Elevation as 23 degrees, on the "Longest Day" (June 21st),

Lack of funds has necessitated use of the same plane-acctor on which the Stars first thown above the Apex for Dec. 22nd, "The Shortest Day," are repeated in higher Elevations, for both the "Equinoxes" those Midnight Stars down to the Western horizon by March 21st, and around the Antipodes by June 21st, and thence towards the Egyptian East horizon by midnight of Sept. 23rd, as depicted on the next page, by the 4 ends of the center-crossed lines which separate the 4 Sessons, as Quarters of our Calendar Year.

s Zodincal Star Map of the Year shows by the tilt of the cross diameters that the "Quarters" of our Years lag 9 days behind Nature's sessons.



(Plate "U.") MAP of FIXED STARS in the 13 Zediacal Constellations adjoining the CRLESTIAL TROPICS amides which the Suar's elliptic "Path along in Reliptic Course" in approximately indicated 'the bold white —— cycle representing the Suar's apparent annual Sua, as per Plate "R." Fig. 3. The cross-lines divide the year into quarters as nature's seasons. That Calendar-locating-track was measurely feet traced out by the highest cult of Prannid Priess using the JM sares smooth-finished NewBall Priess to the "Internation of Sares observation, and also registered their hornout of Sare observation, and also registered their hornout of Sares observation, and also registered their hornout difference of the Sares and May sares as the Sares reased to the Marth Priess who controlled Calendars, indicates the probability that the Egyptian and Assyrian Friests who controlled Calendars, indicates the probability that the Egyptian and Assyrian Friest who controlled Calendars, indicates the probability that the Sares and Assyrian Friest who controlled the Sares and Assyrian Friest who controlled Calendars, indicates the probability that the Sares and Sares and Assyrian Friest who controlled Calendars, indicates the probability that the Sares and Sares and Assyrian Friest who controlled the Sares and Sares and Assyrian Friest who controlled the Sares and Sares and Assyrian Priest who controlled the Sares and Sares and Assyrian Priest who controlled the Sares and Sares and Assyrian Friest who

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(Plate "U.") MAP of FIXED STARS in the 22 Zodiacal Constellations adjoining the CELESTIAL TROPICS amidst which the Sun's allineic "Path plane in Table

Plate "W".—The 13th Month is Already Used by about 80% of Humanity, every 3rd Year JEWISH CALENDAR (A.D. 1900, A.M. 566C-1).

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III. The ancient Mexican astronomical cycle of

III. The ancient Mexican astronomical cycle of 52 years, quartered into four periods of 13 years, each year having 18 equal months of 4 weeks.

Pages 39-42 show Calendar and 18 months' cycle.

That Astec Calendar, of 4 weeks per month, was the simplest and best of the numerous I wish it could. Then the Egyptian 12 months of 30 days divided into 6 Mexican weeks, with the 73rd week appended as the last 5 days of the year, would be the most perfect sufficient evidence is recorded in this booklet to show that our Calendars were jumbled by the Caesars, are imperfect, and can easily be made more convenicnt for universal use. The years 1917 or 1918 offer the best opportunities to unitedly win that boon for all mankind.

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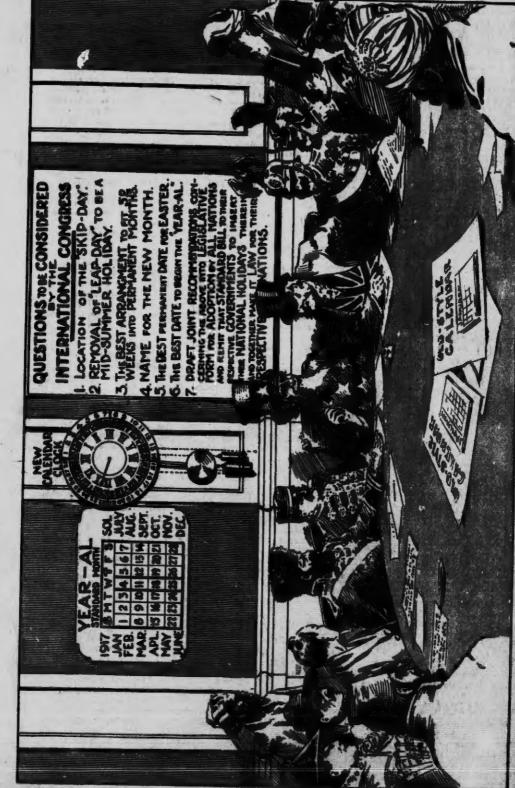
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